Records of the First Chh of Christ in Boxford. — Vol: 2. —

This Book given to the First Church of Christ In Boxford, by Mr Samuel Holyoke of Boston For the Purpose to which it is appropriated. —

Memoranda

1760
Aug. 6 Baptiz'd Ezra Son of Jeremiah Foster jun.r privately it being apprehended that the Child would not continue but a few hours, Present, Parents & Grand Parents Deacon & Amos Kimball, Jn.o Kimball's Wife & Widow Hickney

1764
March 21 Baptiz'd Andrew & Amos Sons of Rebecca (Wife of Peter) Robinson privately, they being dangerously ill. Present, Deacon Hale Aaron Wood Jon.a Bixby Jn.o Dorman Jn.o Hale Joseph Hale & Jon.a Dorman Jun.r

1772
Nov.r 26 Baptiz'd James, Son of Francis Perley, privately it being apprehended drawing nigh its End; & it died in about an Hour after. Present Moses Perley Jon.a Wood & William Hale. Widow Huldah Perley & Moses Perley's Wife

1773
Nov.r 4 Baptiz'd Daniel Son of Jon.a Town privately, it being dangerously ill. Present Aaron Wood, Nathan Wood, Joseph Hale jun.r John Herrick, Moses Peabody & William Hale.

June 8 1811 Baptized Martha-Ann Daughter of Cornelius Gove & it being apprehended dangerously sick. Present Moses Peabody & Corn.t Joseph Symmonds

Dismissions from this Chh to Others.

1760 July 13 — Mary Lake to the Chh. in Topsfield. Her Maiden Name Bixby admitted Sept. 2d Anno 1716:

ibid — Mercy Towne to the Chh in Amherst. New-Hampshire. Maiden Name Foster. admitted Oct. (y^e Day not inserted) 1737: Vide the first Volume of Chh Records under y^e Respective Dates. ——

1761 Nov.^r 15 — Samuel Kingsbury to the Chh in Edgartown. Martha's Vineyard.

1762 March 28 — Nathanael Rogers & Wife Rebecca to y^e Chh in Leominster.

1763 Sept. 11 — Ephraim Kimball, to y^e 2d Chh in Shrewsbury.

1764 July 6 — Daniel Black & Wife Sarah to y^e Chh in Holden.

1766 Aug.^t 24 — Ambros Hale & Wife Hannah to y^e Chh in Harvard.

1773 Aug.^t 29 — Huldah (Bixby when admitted —— Wife of Asa) Stiles to y^e Chh in Middleton.

1776 March 3 — Sarah (Hale Jun.^r when admitted Wife of John) Platts to the Chh in Hollis. — New-Hampshire.

July 14 — Priscilla Hammond to the Chh in Swanzey. N. Hamp.^r

1777 Sept. 14 — Paul Prichard & Wife Hannah to y^e Chh in N. Ipswich

1764 June 26 — Hannah Burnam & Rachel Hale: in order to be incorporated with the Chh gathering at Bridgeton.

1792 Nov.^r 11 — Levi Goodridge & Wife Mary to the Chh in Westminster Vermont

Dec.^r 23 — Daniel Nurse to the first Chh in Rowley.

Nov 8th 1795 — Humphrey Clark Perley to the first Chh in Methuen 2d Nov.^r Ch.^h

May 26 1811 — Elizabeth Seymour to the church in Salem under the care of the

August 5 1811 — Eunice the Wife of Daniel Draper to the church in Bangor Me

May 1812 — Sarah the Wife of Rev.^d W.^m Doe to the church in Wrentham

August 14-1818 — Eliz.^h the Wife of Dan.^l Wood to the Church in Wrentham

October 21-1819. Nancy Wife of Noyes Carlton of Reading to the church in Reading under the care of Mr. Sanborn

Dismissions from this to other churches

March 1828 James Whitemore to the church in Waterford

June-19-1828-Mrs Susanna Symonds to the 1st church in Bradford under the care of Rev Mr Ingraham —

August 30-1830 Sarah Warner, (once Sarah Gould) to the church in Salem under the care of Rev Brown Emerson —

1758
Nov[r] 3 The First Church of Christ in Boxford called Elizur Holyoke to be their Pastor
—— 27 The Parish concurred with ye Chh in their Call when they voted £160 L[M] Settlement & £66-13-4 Salary, with 20 Cords of Wood
Dec[r] 21 Accepted ye Call of ye Church & Parish.
1759
Jan[y] 8 The Chh Met previous to Ordination & sent out their Letters Missive to ye following Chh[s] viz[t] To ye Fifth Chh in Boston Third in Dedham Chh in Wilmington, First in Danvers Second in Boxford, First in Bradford, Chh in Topsfield Second in Rowley, & Chh in Byfield, Desiring their assistance by their Elders & Messengers.
—— 31 The Day appointed for Ordination. When the following Gentlemen assisted in ye Publick Performances of ye Day. Rev[d] M[r] Morrill began with Prayer M[r] Cushing preach'd from 1 Thess: 5. 12. 13: before Imposition of Hands. My Letter of Dismission was Read & I was accepted by Vote as a Brother. M[r] Clark Prayed & gave ye Charge. M[r] Emerson pray'd after ye Charge & M[r] Parsons of Bradford gave ye Right Hand of Fellowship. and thus to One who is less than ye least of all Saints is this Grace given that he should preach ye Unsearchable Riches of Christ.
March 8 The Chh Met, but Eight Members present. others being detain'd necessarily nothing was voted but ye Adjournment of ye Meeting to Monday April the Second.
April 2 Chh Met by Adjournment & Voted
1 Vote That Aaron Kimball be a Deacon to ye Chh
2 V— That Joseph Hale junr be a Deacon to ye Chh.
3 V— That there be a Chh Covenant: *
4 V— That the Sacrament of ye Lord's Supper be administred six times a Year this Year excepted.
5 V— That Candidates for Admission into full Communion having a Good Knowledge of ye Nature & End of ye Lord's Supper & a blameless Life & Conversation be admitted without making a Relation unless it is Matter of Choice & they have Liberty
6 Vote That Admission of Members be before ye Congregation
7 th V— That ye Supplying ye Table of ye Lord with its proper Elements be by Contribution

* The Occasion of this Votes was, ye Affairs of ye Chh being in an Unsettled State & ye Records of ye Chh could not at this Time be obtained.

The Covenant is as follows. ——

We whose Names are hereunto subscribed being Members of the first Church in Boxford; in Consideration of the Unsettled State we have been in for some Years past, but now thro' the Goodness of God whose tender Mercies are over all his Works, are blest in y^e^ Resettlement of y^e^ Gospel Ministry & Ordinances: hoping that in some Degree we have learn'd Obedience by ~~the~~ what we have suffer'd; would now give Thanks for what we enjoy. And first of all we confess our selves utterly unworthy of such distinguishing Favours, admiring that free grace which triumphs over so great Unworthyness; with an humble Relyance on which, sensible We hope of our own Inability to perform that which is good, do wait on God while we thankfully lay hold of his Covenant & choose the things that please him. —— We declare our serious Belief of the Christian Religion as contain'd in y^e^ Sacred Scriptures, which we own and acknowledge to be y^e^ only Rule of Faith & Practice, heartily resolving to conform our selves unto the Precepts of that Holy Religion as long as we live. We give up our selves to God the Father as our Father & receive him as our Portion forever. — We give up our selves to God the Son as our Redeemer, the Great Head of his People in the Covenant of Grace as our Priest Prophet & King to bring Us to Eternal Blessedness. — We give up our selves to God the Holy Ghost as our Sanctifier Guide & Comforter to Eternal Glory. — We acknowledge our everlasting & indispensible Obligations to glorify God by a Sober Righteous & Godly Life, & very particularly in the Duties of a Chh State depending upon his gracious Assistances for the faithful Discharge of the Duties incumbent on Us. We desire & intend (by y^e^ help of Christ's Power & Grace) to walk together as a Chh of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Faith & Order of the Gospel so far as the same shall be revealed unto Us: — Conscientiously attending the Publick Worship of God, the Sacraments of the New Testament & the Discipline of this Kingdom, & all his holy Institutions in Communion One with another; Watchfully avoiding all sinful Stumbling-Blocks as becomes those whom God hath called into so near & holy Relation to himself. And with the same Seriousness & Solemnity We do also present our Offspring unto the Lord, purposing & promissing by the Assistance of his Spirit to do our Duty to them in the Method of a religious Education that they also may be the Lord's. — And all this we do repairing to the Blood of the Everlasting

1759

Recognitions of the Covenant

April — 22 Abner Curtice & Wife (Ruth).
—— 29. Daniel Curtice & Wife (Mary).
May 13 Joseph Matthews & Wife (Mary).
—— 27 Nathaniel Andrews & Wife (Mary).
ibid Abigail Spafford (the Wife of William Spafford.)
Sept. 16 Thomas Wood & Wife (Margaret).

5 Males 6 Females. 11

1760
June 8. {Jedidiah Stickney & Wife (Peggy).
{Amos Gould & Wife Huldah.
{Isaac Perley & Wife (Hannah).
July 27 Asa Andrews & Wife (Lucy).
Nov.r 23 Moses Stickney.

5 M: 4 Fem: 9

1761
May 3 {Jacob Andrews.
{Briman, Negro servant to Mr John Killam.
July 26 Asa Kimball.
Nov.r 1 {Ezra Frash.
{Anna Green.
—— 15 Levi Andrews, & Wife (Bridget).

5 M: 2 Fem: 7

1762
Jan.y 10 {Benjamin Perley & Wife (Hannah).
{William Perley.
March 7 Hannah, Sarah & Asyphia Andrews.
—— 14 Nathanael Perley & Wife (Mehetable).
April 18 {Sarah (the Wife of William Perley) &
{Daniel Peabody & Wife (Anne)
June 6 Thomas Pecharde.
—— 27 Martha (the Wife of John Junr.) Smith.
Dec.r 5 Moses Kimball & Wife (Dorothy).

6 M: 9 Fem: 15

1763
July 31 Jacob Town. Dec.d & Susanna his Wife.

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1764
June 3 Edmund Stiles, & Wife (Elisabeth).
Nov.r 18 Elijah Town, & Wife (Eunice).

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1766
May 2 {John Town & Wife (Anna) and
{Absalom Mehetabel & Bathsheba Town

1759

Baptisms

March 18 Rezia. Daughter of Ezra Stiles.
April 8 Huldah. Daughter of John Stiles. } by Revd Mr Cushing. } Revd Emerson
" 29 Lucey. Daughter of Daniel Curtice. } May 20. Abner Son of Abner Curtice } by Revd
May 13 Ephraim. Son of Joseph Matthews.
" 27 John. Son of Nath Andrews.
ibid Israel, Sarah & Abigail Children of Abigail Spafford.
June 10 Olive. Daughter of the said abigail Spafford.
July 8 Jeremy Son of Ephraim Stiles (Andover) by Revd Mr Cushing
Sept 2 Samuel Son of Daniel Black. Sarah Daughter of Nath Smith.
" 9 Ely & Samuel Twin Sons of Israel Herrick. by Revd Mr Leslie.
" 16 John & Israel. Sons of Thomas Wood.
" 23 William. Son of Paul Prichard. by Revd Mr Bacon.
Oct 28. Enoch. Son of Jonathan Wood.
Nov 25 Lydia. Daughter of Nathan Wood. 12 Males & Females. — 20

1760

Feb 3d Jacob. Son of Stephen Gould.
March 2d Solomon. Son of Asa Perley
May 18. Jesse Son of Jonathan Towne.
" 8. Jonathan. Son of Jonathan Bixby.
June 8. Ancill. Son of Jedidiah Stickney
" Ezra. Son of Amos Gould.
" Sarah. Daughter of Isaac Perley.
" 15 Jonathan. Son of Jona & Mary Peabody deceased. upon Francis Perley's Account.
July 27 Asa Andrews Adult. His Children Abner & Asa.
" ibid Lucey Daughter of Isaac Perley.
Augt 5 Ezra. Son of Jeremiah Foster junr Private Baptism. vid. Memorenda.
" 10 Nathan. Son of Jedidiah Stickney.
" 24 James Curtice junr Adult.
Sept 7 Sarah. Daughter of Jeremiah Foster. by Revd Mr Smith.
" 28. Eunice. Daughter of Daniel Curtice by —— —— Cushing
Oct 5 Joseph. Son of Jona & Mary Peabody. of ors deed. upon Deacon Kimball's Account
" ibid Ann & Joshua. Children of the Widow Hannah Andrews.
Nov 23 Hilly. Daughter of Anna (the Wife of) Joseph. Stickney.
" ibid Moses. Lymon. Lillai & Elisabeth. Children of Moses Stickney.
Dec 7 Eunice. Daughter of Thomas Kimball. 26. 2 Adult. 18 Males & Fem.

1761

Jan 4 11 Francis. Son of Mary (the Wife of Francis) Peabody.
" 25 Elisabeth. Daughter of Ezra Stiles. —

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Admissions into the Church.

N.B. Members dismissed from & recommended by other Chhs to this. Their Reception is inserted under the Article of Admissions.

Read a Letter of Dismission & Recommendation of Ebenezer Curtice & Wife from ye Second Chh in Bradford; upon which they were receiv'd as Members with Us. The Letters as follows —

To the first Chh of Christ in Boxford the Second in Bradford sends Greeting —

Revd & Beloved —

These comes to signify that Ebenezer Curtice & Elizabeth his Wife were Members in full with Us, & so long as they lived among Us behaved (so far as appeared) suitably to their Christian Profession — But being long since removed from Us, & living with you, We have now at their Request dismiss'd our said Brother & Sister & recommend them to your Communion & Fellowship — So wishing ye Blessing of ye Almighty may rest upon them & you, & asking an Interest in your Prayers, We subscribe our selves Your Brethren in ye Faith & Fellowship of ye Gospel.

William Balch Pastor.

Bradford May 4 1759 — In ye Name & with Consent of ye Chh.

A true Copy. Attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor

429 Ruth the Wife of Jonathan Bixby admitted into ye Chh. —

219 Read Stephen Symonds's Letter of Dismission & Recommendation from Topsfield Chh upon which he was receiv'd. The Letter as follows.

To the first Chh of Christ in Boxford — greeting

Revd & beloved — The Chh of Christ in Topsfield do hereby dismiss & recommend to your holy Watch & Communion Mr Stephen Symonds, as a regular Member of ye Chh of Christ, & in good standing with this Chh. We intreat you to receive him & watch over him in ye Lord, as becometh Saints. Willing — an Increase of Grace both to you & him & desiring your Prayers for us We subscribe Yours in ye Faith & Fellowship of ye Gospel. — John Emerson Pastor

Topsfield June 3 1759 — In ye Name & with ye Consent of ye Chh.

admitted 5 Five Recd from Other Chhs: 3 M. 2 F.

A true Copy. Attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor

Recognitions of the Covenant

1766		
April		
—20	Timothy Stiles.	
June 1	Jonathan Peabody.	
Augt 31	Lucy Bixby.	
Dec 7	John Curtice & Wife (Ruth)	
—14	John Stiles junr & Wife (Phebe)	
	6 M 6 F:	12
1767		
Sept 6	Jedidiah Peabody. Novr 15. Alice his Wife	
		2
1768		
July 5	David Foster.	
Augt 7.	James Wood & Wife (Ruth)	
Novr 13.	Mercy. Wife of Jonathan Peabody.	
		4
1769		
July 16	Simeon Stiles & Wife (Mary) (N.B. None in 1770:)	2
1771		
March 31	Ebenezer Fiske & Wife (Phebe)	
Novr 10	John Emery & Wife (Elisabeth)	
		4
1772		
June 7	Susanna Dennett.	
Octr 4	Martha (Wife of John Junr) Town.	
Novr 22	Francis Perley.	
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1778		
Feby 21	Ruth (Wife of Francis) Perley.	
June 6	Thomas Pillam & Wife Sarah.	
July 18	Noah Stiles & Wife Lydia	
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1774		
Novr 27	Deborah & Lydia Andrews.	
		2
1775		

1761 Baptisms

March 22. Ichabod. Son of Abigail (Wife of Nathan) Burnam.
Apr. 5. Ruth. Daughter of Nathaniel Smith.
19. Samuel. Son of Moses Pickney.
May 3d Jacob Andrews. Adult.
1. Brinam. Negro servant to Mr John Hillam. } Adult.
Daniel. Son of Asa Andrews & Rev. W. Smith.
June 7 Joseph. Son of Joseph Hale jun.r
July 26. Samuel. Son of Asa Kimball.
Aug.t 9. Samuel. Son of Elizur Hoyoke.
23 Elizabeth. Daughter of Ephraim Stiles (Andover).
Sept.r 25 Lucy. Daughter of Abner Curtice.
Nov.r 1 Anna Green. Adult.
9 Lisa. Elizabeth. Daughter of Jon.a & Mary Peabody ages & dec.d upon Negro Draft &
Account, as also two negro Children Primus & Lydia.
15 Mary & Lydia. Daughters of Levi Andrews.
Dec.r 6 Rebekah. Daughter of Thomas Wood. Jr. Rev.d Mr Cushing.
13. Thomas & Sarah. Children of Sarah (the Wife of Abraham) Redington
ibid. Abner. Son of Jonathan Wood. c.
27 Asa. Son of Sarah (Wife of Abraham) Redington.
Amos. Son of Amos Gould.
25. 3 Adult 14 M: 11 Fem:

1762
Jan.y 10. Mary & Dorothy. Daughters of Benjamin Perley.
Humphry-Clark. Son of William Perley.
31 Mary. James. and Thomas. Children of James Pickard.
March 7 Hannah, Sarah & Asyphia Andrews. all Adult.
14 Amos & Jesse. Children of Nathanael Perley.
April 4 Hannah. Daughter of James Pickard.
18 Sarah. Daughter of Paul Pickard.
Sarah. Daughter of Stephen Gould.
Joseph. Son of Anna (Wife of Joseph) Pickney
Anne. Daughter of Daniel Peabody.
25. Abigail. Daughter of Abigail Herrick. of Rev.d Cushing.
May 2d Rebecca. Daughter of Rebecca (Wife of Samuel) Stevens
23 Hetty. Daughter of Mary (Wife of Peter) Bacon
30 Martha. Daughter of Martha (Wife of Wm) Wells
June 6 Ancil. Son of Jedediah Pickney.

1760

Admissions into the Church.

Jany 6 Read Nathan Wood & Wifes Letter of Dismission & upon which they were received — The Letter as Follows.

To the first Chh of Christ in Boxford the second Chh in Boxford send Greeting — Rev^d & Beloved in our Lord Jesus Christ

Whereas Mr Nathan Wood and Elisabeth his Wife Members in full Communion with us & in good Terms with us & dwelling with you, have desired a Dismission to your Christian Walk & Fellowship — These are to signify our Compliance with their Request, & that we do accordingly dismiss & recommend our said Brother & Sister to your holy Fellowship & Communion, hoping ye same may be a Means, by ye divine Blessing, to build them up in Holiness & Comfort thro' Faith unto Salvation — So wishing ye Divine Blessing may descend on them & you, & desiring your Prayers for us, We Subscribe Your Brethren in ye Faith and Fellowship & ye Gospel. — John Cushing Pastor —

Boxford Oct. 21 1759. In ye Name & by Vote & Desire of ye Church

A true Copy. Attest: Elizur Holyoke Pastor

April 29 1759 Read Joseph Hale ye 3^d & Wife's Letter of Dismission &c from ye Chh in Topsfield upon which they were received. The Letter.

To the first Chh of Christ in Boxford. Greeting —

Communion Christian The Church of Christ in Topsfield do hereby dismiss & recommend to your holy Watch & Fellowship Joseph Hale ye 3^d & Sarah his Wife as regular Members of ye Chh of Christ & in good Standing with this Chh, desiring you to receive them in ye Lord as becometh Saints; wishing them & You Grace Mercy & Peace from God ye Father & from our Lord Jesus Christ, & asking Your Prayers for us, We subscribe Yours in ye Faith & Fellowship & ye Gospel. — John Emerson Pastor —

Topsfield April 15 1759 In ye Name & with ye Consent of ye Chh in Topsfield —

A true Copy attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor.

N.B. This Letter should have been inserted immediately before that Read May 27 1759. — — — — — —

Recognitions of the Covenant

1776
March 24 Amos Perley.
Apr. 28 Jacob. Perley.
May 26 Samuel Brown & Wife (Olive) Goodridge.
Nov. 24 Hannah (the Wife of Benja Jun.) Goodridge.
Dec. 22 Jonathan & Thomas Dwinnell. 7

1777
Feb. 2 Mary & Elisabeth Dwinnell.
June 29 Nabby & Hannah Dwinnell. C
Dec. 14 Molly Gallop. C 5

1778
April 5 David Hale.
Sept. 6 Abraham Smith.
Oct. 4 Polly Cumings. 3

1779
Mar. 7 Susanna Murphy. 1

1780
June 11. Silas Burnam & Wife (Sarah). 2

1781

1782.

1783.
Feb. 9. Nathan. Andrews Jun.
Nov. 9. John Foster & Wife (Dorcas). 3

1784. 1785. 1786

1787
May 6. Eusebia (Wife of Benjamin) Gould. 1

1788 1789. 1790. 1791. 1792.

1762 ... Baptisms ...

June ... 27 Abraham & Amos. Sons of Martha (Wife of John Junr) Smith
July 11 Mary. Daughter of Daniel Curtice.
Augst 1 John, Son of Richard Peabody. } M. Cushing
... 15 Jacob. Son of Jacob Andrews.
Oct 17 Samuel, Son of Elezur Holyoke
... 24 Joshua. Son of Jeremiah Foster } M. Emerson
... 24 Jacob. Son of Jacob Hazen } Abigail (Wife of)
Decr 5 Jeremiah. Son of Asa Andrews.

30. 3. Adult 15 M: 15 F:

1763 Solomon, Son of Solomon Wood
Jany 9 Betty, Daughter of Nathan Wood.
... 30 Ebenezer, Son of Nathaniel Smith.
April 10 Nathanael, Son of Nathanael Perley } M. Symmes.
April 10 William, Son of William Perley. } M. Symmes.
... 24 Hannah Daughter of Thomas Wood. } M. Smith.
June 19 Elyphalet, Son of John Hale.
... Dudley, Son of Moses Kimball.
... 26 John, Son of John Dorman junr
July 10 Lydia, Daughter of Nicolas Dodge } M. Cushing.
... 17 Nathan, Son of Ezra Stiles.
... 31 Mary, Daughter of Rebecca (Wife of Samuel) Stevens
... Hephzibah, Daughter of Jacob Town.
Sept. 11 Rebecca, Daughter of Benjamin Perley.
Oct. 2d Aaron, Son of Abraham Redington
... Mary, Daughter of Joseph Lesslie
... Hitty, Daughter of Daniel Peabody.

1760

Admissions in to y^e Chh.

Jany 27 John Dorman jun.^r admitted.

March 23 Asa Perley

May 11 Samuel Kingsbury

— 18 Read John Kimball jun.^r & Wife's Letters of Dismission & upon which they were receiv'd. — The Letters —

Boxford March 31. 1760

To the first Chh in Boxford, the Second in Boxford sendeth Greeting
o'Beloved in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Our Bro John Kimball jun.^r admitted to full Communion with us sometime since, having a Letter of Dismission & Recommendation, we do accordingly dismiss him from his special Relation to us & recommend him to your holy Fellowship as having walked (so far as we know) agreable to his holy Profession. We recommend you all, & particularly Our said Brother to y^e grace of God, to be built up in Holiness & Comfort thro' Faith unto Salvation — & Subscribe your Brethren in Christ John Cushing ~~Pastor~~ in y^e Name & with y^e Consent of y^e Brethren

To the first Chh. in Boxford the first Chh in Andover sendeth Greeting — Rev^d & Beloved in our Lord Jesus Christ.

Whereas Sarah the Wife of M^r John Kimball, a Member in full Communion with us, but now resident with You, has signified her Desire to be dismiss'd from us, that She might be incorporated with You; We do accordingly dismiss & recommend Her to your holy Fellowship, as a Person so far as we know, worthy of it, praying You to receive Her in y^e Lord as becometh Saints. We recommend You all & particularly our Sister now dismiss'd, to y^e Blessing of God, & desire in your Prayers, Subscribe your Brethren in the Lord.

Andover May 12 1760. W^m Symmes Pastor

In y^e Name & with y^e Consent of y^e Brethren

True Copies attest: Elizur Holyoke Pastor

Recognitions &c

1793.
Aug 18th. Nathan Lowjr & Wife (Rebecca).

1804
Sept 9 John Sawyer & Wife (Sarah)

1768
Nov^r

Baptisms

20 — Uchetabel. Daughter of Joseph. Hale junr.

18. 9 M. 9 Fem:

1769
March 4 — Richard. Son of Asa Kimball.
Mary. Daughter of Jacob Andrews.
—11 Hannah. Daughter of Paul Prichard.
—21 Andrew & Amos. Sons of Rebecca (Wife of Peter) Robinson. vid Memorandum
April 1 Jacob. Son of Moses Kimball.
—15 Huldah. Daughter of Amos Gould.
May 6 Richard. Son of Richard Peabody.
Phebe. Daughter of Thomas Kimball
June 3 Phineas. Son of Edmund Stiles
July 8 Hannah. Daughter of Abigail (Wife of Jacob) Hazen
Augst 12 Phineas. Son of Elisabeth (Wife of Richard) Foster.
—26 Lucy. Daughter of Jonathan Towne.
Sept 9 Elisabeth. Daughter of James Richard
Hannah. Daughter of (Rebecca Wife of Samuel) Stevens.
—16 Asphia. Daughter of Jedidiah Stickney.
—23 Rebecca. Daughter of Nathaniel Smith
—30 Mary. Daughter of Jonathan Wood.
Octr 14 Ruth. Daughter of Abner Curtice
—28 Huldah. Daughter of William Perley.
Novr 18 Elizur. Son of Elizur Holyoke.
Elijah. Son of Elijah Town.

22 9 M 13 Fem:

1765
March 7 Jacob. Son of Jacob Town.
—31 Hannah. Daughter of Mary (Wife of Benja) Goodridge
Hannah. Daughter of Ezra Stiles.

Admissions into the Chh.

1760
June —8 Jeremiah Foster jun.r & Wife (Abigail) admitted.
Augt 24 James Curtice jun.r —
Sept.r 14 Widow Hannah Andrews.
Nov.r 23 Anna (the Wife of Joseph) Hickney. 5 M. 3 F. 2 M. 2 F. Light admitted & Four Rec.d &

1761
Jan.y 4 Read Martha Eills's Letter of Dismission & upon which she was received. — The Letter.

To the Rev.d Pastor & Beloved Brethren of y.e first Chh of Christ in Boxford. — Rev.d & dearly Beloved — At y.e Request of our Sister Mrs Martha Booth (now Eills) this comes to certify, that She as I find by y.e Reccords of this Chh was in August 1754 (the Day of the Month is not set down) Receiv'd to full Communion with Us, & that for ought appears to Us, has ever since adorn'd her holy Profession by a holy Life & Conversation becoming y.e Gospel; & being in y.e Providentials of y.e Providence of God, who sets Bounds to all Men's Habitations, removed from Us to you, She is hereby recommended to your Pastoral Care & Brotherly Watch, as One worthy of your Charity & Communion. Wishing y.e Grace Mercy & Peace may be Multiply'd unto You — & asking your Prayers for Us, I am, Rev.d & Beloved your Brother in the Faith & Fellowship of y.e Gospel. — Nathan Holt Pastor of y.e South Chh in Danvers. with y.e Consent of y.e Brethren

Danvers July 6th 1761

^ Wife to William Eills.

Rev.d & Belov'd.
Inasmuch as y.e above Letter of Recommendation was not satisfactory to you because I did not add with y.e Consent of y.e Brethren: I have now to your Satisfaction made that Addition & still subscribe my self Your Brother in y.e Faith & Fellowship of y.e Gospel. Nathan Holt.

Danvers Sept.r 15 1761

N.B. This Letter was read once before but not then received because of y.e Omission mention'd in y.e P.S. —

A true Copy attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor.

Nov.r 29 Hannah (the Wife of Paul) Prichard admitted.
Dec.r 13 Sarah. (the Wife of Abraham). Reddington —

Two admitted & One Rec.d & 3 F.

Admissions into the Chh. Continued

1762

Jun 24 Abraham Redington admitted ——— vid
—— 31 James Pickard & Wife (Hannah).
Feb. 14 Hannah Hale.
May 2d Ephraim Kimball.

3 M. 2 Fem. Five.

1763

May 1 Huldah Bixby.

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1764

May 6 Read Sarah Slaus' Letter of Dismission & upon which She was receivd —
The Letter. —

Newbury Jan.y 2. 1764.

The 3d Chh of Christ in Newbury to the first Six-Prin-Bapt-ord Society Greeting
Revd Hond & Beloved. —

Whereas Mrs Sarah Slaus a Member in full Communion with Us, is by the Providence of God removed from Us to dwell with you, this is to certify that during her Abode with Us her Conversation as far as appeared to Us has been as becometh the Gospel of Christ, & that at her Desire She is dismiss'd from Us to You, intreating you to receive her in the Lord as becometh Saints. So wishing You Grace Mercy & Peace, We are your Brethren in the Faith & Fellowship of the Gospel. —

John Lowell Pastor —
In the Name of the Church. —

A true Copy. Attest ——— Elizur Holyoke Pastor. —

June 10 Ephraim Stiles. —
Aug.st 26 Eunice Dorman. —
Sept 2d Read Nicholas Dodge's & Wife's & Sarah Rea's Letter of Dismission & upon
They were Read & The Letter. —
The Second Chh of Christ in Beverly to the first Chh of Christ in —
Boxford — Greeting —
Revd Hond & Beloved. —

Whereas Mr Nicholas Dodge & Experience his Wife and Sarah the Wife of Mr Joshua Rea who were recd to Comm[union] with Us at the Table of the Lord, viz.t the said Experience Aug.st 1740, the said Sarah March 13 1747, and the said Nicholas March 20 1757

Miscellaneous Matters

April 1818

The ~~Church~~ met at my ~~house~~ to attend to Complaint of Brother Aaron Perley against

Miscellaneous Matters.

1764

Admissions into the Chh.

having lately removed their Habitation to Boxford and do now desire Letters of Dismission from us to you; We do hereby dismiss each of them and commend them to your Holy Watch, Fellowship & Communion as Persons who while they continued with us walked orderly according to the Rules of the Gospel, so far as can come to our Knowledge. Brethren, pray for us, who desire that Grace & Peace may be multiplied unto you.

Beverly July 2d 1764.

I Chipman Pastor of the second Chh in Beverly with the Consent of the Brethren

A true Copy Attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor.

Sept 9 Read John Herrick & Wife's Letter of Dismission & upon which they were receiv'd — The Letter

The Chh of Christ in Wenham to ye first Chh of Christ in Boxford, Wisheth Grace Mercy & Peace.

Rev'd Hon'd & Beloved.

Mr John Herrick & his Wife Members in Full Communion with our Chh, now inhabiting with You, at their Desire, we now send these Lines, to signify that they are in good Terms with us, & that we do freely dismiss them from their special Relation to us in Order to their incorporating with you, for their better Edification as well as Preservation of Order. Wishing them and you Increase of Grace & asking an Interest in your Prayers, We Subscribe

yours in ye Bond of ye Gospel

Wenham Augt 30. 1764

Joseph Swain Pastor
In ye Name of ye Chh

A true Copy. Attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor.

Dec 23 Sarah Curtice.

Three Admitted & Six Rec'd:

Admissions continued

Feb 1st Read Bridget Foster's Letter of Dismission & upon which she was Recv'd — The Letter —

Jewsbury Nov.r 12 1764.

To the first Chh of Christ in Boxford, the Chh in Jewsbury wisheth all spiritual Blessings.

Hon.d & Beloved.

Wife Bridget Foster having applied to Us for a Dismission from her Relation to Us, to your Communion, Watch & Care; She having had a Regular Standing in Chh Fellowship with Us, We have dismiss'd her from our immediate Fellowship in order to her being received into Yours; trusting that you will ever treat her with that Care & Love which the Disciples of the blessed Jesus owe to Each Other. — So Wishing Grace Mercy & Peace to be multiplied to you, We rest your Brethren in the Faith & Fellowship of the Gospel.

Samp.son Spaulding Pastor
with y.e Consent of y.e Brethren

A true Copy attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor

One Rec.d

1766
June 8 Jonathan Wood. — 1

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Sept 16 Sarah (the wife of Jon.a) Wood.
Oct 25 Rebecca (the wife of Samuel) Hickney 2

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March 13 Jane Kilborn.
April 24 Moses Peabody & wife (Hannah)
May 8 } Priscilla wife of John Killam
} Ruth (wife of David) Foster. 5

1765

Baptisms

April 7 Samuel. Son of Abraham Redington
William Son of Anna (wife of Joseph) Stickney
..... 14 Sarah (Daughter of Thomas Wood.
..... 21 John. Son of Jonathan Town.
Francis Son of Nathanael Perley
May 5 Samuel. Son of Abner Hale
June 2 Mary. (Daughter of Stephen Symonds. Q. W. Treadwell.
Benjamin Son of Benjamin Perley
..... 16 Sarah. Daughter of Sarah (Wife of Jacob) Perley
Dolly. (Daughter of Moses Kimball.
..... 23 Isaac. Son of Isaac Perley Q. W. Emerson
Sept. 15 Nathanael. Son of Jacob Andrews. Q. Ditto
..... 29 Ebenezer. Son of Hannah (wife of John) Butman
Oct. 20 Moses. Son of John Dorman junr.
Nov. 17 Asa Son of Huldah (Wife of Asa) Stiles
Dec. 1 Oliver. Son of Solomon Wood.
Enos. Son of Isaac Perkins.
..... 22 Huldah. (Daughter of Asa Kimball.

21. 14 M. 7 Fem:

1766
Feb. 9 John & Absalom. Mehetabel & Bathsheba Town. All Adult.
Hannah. Daughter of Nathan Wood.
..... 9 Daniel. Son of Daniel Peabody
March 9 Joanna. Daughter of John Herrick.
Phebe. Daughter of Amos Gould.
..... 30 John. Son of Paul Prichard.

1766 Baptisms Continued

March
---30 Oliver. Son of Richard Peabody
April 6 Ruth. (Daughter of Richard Tyce.
May 4 Asa. Son of Elizabeth (Wife of Richard) Foster
Phinehas. Son of Timothy Stiles.
---18 Phinehas. Son of William Perley pr. Mr. Smith.
June 1 Lucy. (Daughter of Jonathan Wood.
---22 William, Son of Jacob Hazen. Abigail wife of
July 20 Sarah. Daughter of Rebecca (Wife of Samuel) Stevens.
---27 Moses. Son of Nathaniel Smith.
Augst 3 Betty. (Daughter of Jedidiah Stickney.
---24 Asa & Sarah Children of John Town
Eunice Daughter of Elijah Town
Octr 5 John. Son of Stephen Gould
---7 John. Son of Isaac Perley.
Novr 16 Thomas. Son of Thomas Wood.
Decr 7 John. Son of John Curtice
---14 Jenny & John, Children of John Stiles junr.

28. 16 M. 12 Fem. 4 Adult

1767
Feb 12 David. Son of James Pickard.
March 2 Nathan. Son of Ezra Stiles.
Abner. Son of Abner Curtice. } pr. Mr. Williams
---29 Sarah. Daughter of Moses Kimball.

1769 Admissions &

May 7 Paul Prichard. 1

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1771 Dec^r 29^th William Hale & Wife (Anna). 2

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June 28 Sarah Hale Jun^r

Oct^r 4 Daniel Nurse & Wife (Eunice).

Nov^r 1 Mary (the Wife of Deacon) Symonds. 4

1773

Feby 21 Widow Hannah Foster. 1

1774

Mar. 6 Mary (the Wife of Benj^a) Goodridge.

April 3 Benjamin Goodridge.

Oct^r 9 Levi Goodridge & Wife (Mary). 4

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~~June 4 Eunice (the Wife of Benj^a Jun^r) Goodridge~~

1777.

April 27: Elijah Averill.

Sept 28. Joshua Rea & Wife, (Hannah). 3

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Jan^y 11 Joseph Symonds & Wife. (Susanna):

April 5 Rachel. (the Wife of David) Hale.

Aug^t 2 Sarah Wood. Daughter of Nathan Wood.

Sept 6 Thezia, (Wife of Abraham) Smith.

Dec^r 6 Sarah (Wife of Thomas) Hillam. 6

1767

Baptisms.

Jan 5 Mehetabel Daughter of Mehetabel Wood Widow. (Decd 28 Dec last) NB Mr Wood
Jan 5 Betty. Daughter of Jacob Andrews.
12 Mehetabel. Daughter of Nathaniel Perley & Mr Emerson
May 17 Chloe. Daughter of Abraham Redington
24 Jedidiah. Son of Jonathan Town & Mr Emerson
31 Elisabeth. Daughter of Elizur Holyoke.
July 12 Isaac. Son of Nicholas Dodge
July 12 Moody Son of Joseph Stickney
30 Hannah. Daughter of John Dorman junr.
Sept 20 Anna. Daughter of Hannah (wife of John) Butman
Sept 20 Lydia. Daughter of Jedidiah Peabody.
Octr 11 Anna. Daughter of John Town.
18 Jacob. Son of Sarah (Wife of Jacob) Perley.
Octr 25 Joseph. Son of Rebecca (Wife of Samuel) Stickney
29 Asa. Son of Asa Kimball
Decr 6 Hannah. Daughter of Benjamin Perley
27 Caleb. Son of Nathan Low. 21. 10 M 11 Fam:

1768
Jany 17 William. Son of Richard Peabody.
Feby 7 Benjamin Raymond, Son of Rebecca (Wife of Samuel) Stickney
March 6 Ruth. Daughter of John Curtis
13 Samuel. Son of Rebecca (wife of Samuel) Stevens.
April 10 Hephzibah. Daughter of Abigail (wife of) Jacob Hazen.

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March 4 to withdraw

Chh Meeting. —— The Affair relating to Brother H— r— k. his Person being desir'd by ye Pastor from the Sacrament of the Supper (a Infant) having before withdrawn himself upon ye Declaration of One of the Brethren that he would Object against him if He offer'd Himself there being a publick Report & not ill grounded of his being greatly in Fault & who had own'd it to those who knew ye circumstances & acknowledged the same to the dissatisfied Brother who said he was willing for his own part to forgive him but pleaded that the Chh lay under Scandal in as much as it had been intimated by some in ye neighbourhood that our Discipline was greatly defective if no Notice be taken of the Matter; and the Person supposed to be in Fault having own'd it to the Pastor who advised to a publick Confession before he was desir'd to withdraw the Matter by ye Confessor's Desire was laid before the Chh; whose Proceedings thereon are as follows. — After much Debate it was put to Vote 1st Whether our subsequent Debates be by way of Question & Answer? it pass'd in ye Affirmative. 2dly Whether Brother H— r— k's Conduct upon Brother W— d's Allegation shall be inquired into? pass'd in affirmative. 3dly whether ye Chh will make any further Inquiry into Brother H— r— k's Conduct in ye Matter alledged against him? pass'd in ye Negative. 4thly Whether Bro H— r— k's absenting himself from Communion upon ye Declaration of Bro W— d that he would object against him be consider'd as abridging himself of his Right? pass'd in Affirm: 5thly Whether B H— r— k's Reason for absenting himself (viz that he would not give ye Chh trouble on his Account be sufficient to justify him? pass'd in Affirm: 6ly Whether the Chh will receive Brother H— r— again into their Charity? pass'd in Affirm:

Dec 16

Chh Meeting for the Choice of a Deacon in ye Room of Deacon Hale who desires to resign. Seventeen Members present. In Votes after repeated Trial being for several Members there was no Choice till the third Time when Mr Stephen Symonds was chosen to serve this Chh in ye Office of a Deacon who would gladly have refus'd the Honour alone him but it being insisted upon that He should accept did accept after several Month's Consideration. ——

Feb 3

At this Meeting it was propos'd by ye Pastor that another Version of the Psalms viz Tate & Brady's with an Appendix of Hymns be sung in ye Publick Assembly in ye Room of the Old Version who inform'd the Chh that He had taken Pains to compare both Versions together & both with the Scriptures & found the New Version to be much better than the Old giving a more clear & instructive sense of the Psalms; & that the Hymns were suted to the Christian State & Worship. There was no Objection made, but some of the Brethren being absent it was moved that the Affair be publickly Mention'd on the Sabbath

to let the Chh & Congregation know of the Proposal; which was done in ye same Manner in which it was first made; viz^t to sing Tate & Brady's Version of the Psalms with ye Appendix & Hymns in the Room of that we had always sang for Six Sabbaths upon Trial & then to call for a Vote. — But it soon began to be rumour'd about that the Congregation were to have nothing to do in the Affair which gave Offence to some; upon which the Pastor took Occasion to inform the Congregation that they as well as the Chh were to have their Voice & Vote in the Matter

1766 After the New-Version being sang Six Sabbaths a Lecture was appointed on Wednesday Feb^y 12 1766 when a Discourse was deliver'd upon ye Occasion from Col: 3: 16: After Service reminded ye Assembly of the above Proposal upon which a Debate ensued, but it was mov'd that ye Vote be put which was done in ye following Manner Whether Tate & Brady's Version of ye Psalms together with ye Appendix & Hymns be sang in ye Publick Worship of God among us in the Room of the Old Version, when it pass'd in the Affirmative at leap Thirty Hands being held up for it; Then Those who were otherwise minded were desir'd to express it by ye Usual Sign of ye up-lifted-Hand when not more than Seven appear'd against it. But notwithstanding the Clearness of the Vote such was the Opposition that a Month was given the Minor Party to bring in their Reasons if they had any to offer. —

March 13 A Lecture. After Service it was expected that Reasons would have been offer'd against ye New-Version, when a Paper was put into the Pastor's Hand "Desiring that he would give the Opposite Party his Reasons in "Writing (if he had any) that so they might peruse them the better to "give their Reasons against the New Version": Since therefore no Reasons have been offer'd, The Vote in favour of ye New Version remains in full Force.

1767 March 30 The Chh & Congregation Met upon ye Affair of Singing &c in consequence of a Petition from Three of ye Chh & Eight of ye Congregation in wch it is asserted that ye Point has not been fairly determin'd & yet very unwilling that it Now should be tried by a Vote, however ye House was divided when it appear'd that there was Seventeen for ye Old & Thirty two for ye New-Version.

Nov^r 5 Receiv'd a Petition from Six of ye Chh & Eighteen of ye Congregation that Dr Watts's Psalms &c be sang Six Sabbaths upon Trial & after ye Expiration of that Time to have it tried by a Vote of ye Chh & Congregation whether ye

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† Sign'd by Nine of ye Chh & twenty of ye Congregation. It appears by divers Circumstances that great Pains have been taken to obtain such a Number. —

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It should be sang for ye future. Accordingly

Nov^r 8 Read this Petition after Service to ye Chh & Congregation & there was no Objection against its being sang Six Sabbaths upon Trial.

——15 Began to Sing Dr Watts's Version of Psalms upon Trial.

Dec^r 20 Concluded Singing Dr Watts upon Trial. —

——23 Chh & Congregation Met to see if it might be sang for ye future; and after considerable Debate it was put to Vote 1 Whether the Chh will act separately from ye Congregation? But a Vote was not obtain'd. —— 2^dly Whether ye Chh will act connectedly with ye Congregation? and this Vote was not obtain'd. — 3^dly It was put to ye Congregation whether ye Chh should lead in the Affair? and it passd in ye Affirmative by a Large Majority. And then 4^thly It was put to ye Chh whether Dr Watts's Psalms shou'd be sang in ye Publick Worship of God in this Place for the future? But a Vote could not be obtain'd: But three Hands being held up for it. — NB Every Thing Material relating to ye Affair [redacted] is here inserted. c

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May 2 1 Chh Meeting; when the following Votes were passd. That the Scriptures & other Books of Piety be read in the Intermission of the public Exercises of the Sabbath; begining on the Second Sabbath Instant & ending on the last Sabbath of September. V^1 That Deacon Kimball V^2 That Nathan Wood. V^3 that Joseph Hale V^4 that Jeremiah Foster be the Readers. —

2 That there be a Committee to settle Accompts with the Deacons from the Year 1762 to the present Time & make Report to the Chh. V^1 That Esq^r Wood, V^2 that Capt Perley V^3 & Joseph Hale be the Committee.

3 That Every Communicant pay Six Pence toward supplying the Sacramental Table with its proper Elements at each Contribution

4 That Every Communicant wrap his Money in Paper and

1774 write his Name upon it.

May 23 Chh Meeting when the following Votes were pass'd

1 To receive the Report of the Committee respecting their Reckoning with the Deacons which was read & is as follows

"The Committee appointed by the First Chh of Christ in Boxford to reckon with the Deacons respecting the Contribution & Donation Money rec'd by them, & their several Disbursments in providing the Elements of the Lords Supper, & otherwise have attended that Service & they find there is a Ballance due from ye Chh to Deacon Thimball the Sum of 2/S. & they also find that there is a Ballance due from ye Chh to Deacon Symonds the Sum of 5/4. — Aaron Wood } Order. "

2 That the Deacons be reckoned with annually.

3 That Those who do not write upon their Money it shall be deem'd as given to the Chh & they stand chargeable with their Contribution.

4 That the Deacons be directed to keep an Account of ye Members that contribute & of their respective Sums. —

5 That the Pewter belonging to the Chh be changed & New procured in the room of it.

6 That the Deacons take the Care of the Pewter agreable to the former Vote.

7 That there be Two Flaggons, Six Tankards, Two Dishes & a Christening Bason.

June 20 Chh Meeting. When these two Votes were pass'd

1 To accept of the New Pewter for the Sacramental Elements as procur'd by the Deacons.

2 That every Male Member be aspess'd Three Shillings towards defreying the Charge of the abovesaid Pewter.

1779

Admissions &

July 4 John Curtice & wife (Ruth). 2

1780 Nov 12 Hannah & Mehetabel Hale. c 2

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1782 May 5 Sarah Foster. 1

1783 Jan 5 Read Elisha Gould & wife's Letter & Dismission & upon which they were received into Fellowship with us. The Letter. The Ch of Christ in Middleton to the first Ch of Christ in Boxford Sendeth Greeting.

Rev^d Hon^d & Beloved. Whereas our Brother & Sister Elisha Gould & Elisabeth his wife having removed their Place of Residence from among us to yours have requested a Dismission from our Ch & a Recomendation to yours (as is most proper in such Cases) We therefore have dismiss'd them from us & now recommend them to yours Persons (in a Judgment of Charity) worthy to enjoy with you the Gospel Privileges. Thus wishing Grace Mercy & Peace may be multiplied to you & your Fold. Brother & Sister We subscribe ourselves Yours in the Faith & Order of the Gospel.

Elias Smith Pastor

Middleton Oct^r 22. 1782 for the Same & with the Consent of the Brethren

A true Copy. Attest. Elizur Holyoke Pastor.

Town Rec^d

1768

Baptisms

April — Elisabeth. Daughter of Deacon Symonds. } J. M. Smith.
— 17 — Hezzy. Daughter of Nathaniel Smith
John. Son of Daniel Peabody. c

May 8 — Ezra. Son of Ezra Town upon his Grandfather Dorman's Acct.
Deborah. Daughter of William Perley

July 3d — John. Son of Moses Peabody.
David. Son of David Foster

— 17 — Anna, & Priscilla. Children of Priscilla (wife of Jn.o Killam.
Huldah. Daughter of Amos Gould. c

Augt 14 — Joanna. Daughter of James Wood. c

— 28 — John. Son of Priscilla (wife of Jn.o Killam

Sept 4 — Peggy. Daughter of Jedidiah Richey

Oct.r 16 — Alice. Daughter of Thomas Howlet by Mr Emerson

— 30 — Hannah. Daughter of John Sikes.
Lois. Daughter of Mehetabel (Wife of Jacob) Bruinnett.

Nov.r 13 — Sarah. Daughter of Jonathan Peabody.

— 27 — Moses. Son of Moses Kimball.

23. 9 M 14 Fem:

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Feby 19 — Aaron. Son of Thomas Wood. c

March 26 — Jesse. Son of John Dorman jun.r

April 2 — Samuel. Son of Thomas Kimball.
Eunice. Daughter of Abner Curtice.

Admissions

1783

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1785 Oct 2d Betty (Wife of Isaac) Smith. 1

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1788 Nov 9 David Kimball & Wife (Rebekah) 2

1789 Feby 8 Rufus Burnam.
Mar 1 Sarah Herrick. 2

1790 July 18 Elisabeth (Wife of Nathaniel) Herrick. 1

1791 July 3 Jonathan Wood & Wife (Abigail) 2

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1793
April 28 Lucy Upton. privately.
May 19 Humphrey Clark Perley.
Sept 22 Edmund Herrick & Wife (Hitty).
Nov 24 Richard Foster.
Dec 1 Benjamin Spafford. 6.

1794 Dec 2 Parker Spafford & Wife (mary) 2

1795
Oct 18 Thomas Perley.

1797
Feb 22 Eunice Kimball

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Baptisms

April 9 Oliver Peabody. Son of Elizur Holyoke

" 23 Charlotte. Daughter of Jonathan Blogget.
Olive. Daughter of Nath.l Perley

" 30 Amos. Son of John Town. of Mr Smith

May 7 Joshua. Son of Hannah (wife of John) Batman

June 18 Hannah. Daughter of Jacob Andrews.

" 25 Benjamin. Son of Elisabeth (wife of Richard) Foster.

July 16 Ammi Howlet. Son of Jedidiah Peabody.
Mary Daughter of Simeon Stiles.

Aug.t 13 John. Son of Daniel Chapman.

Sept.r 17 Joseph. Son of James Wood.

Oct.r 1 Benjamin. Son of Paul Prichard.

" 15 Mehetabel. Daughter of James Prichard.

" 29 Ruth. Daughter of Jonathan Town of Mr Smith

Nov.r 26 Abraham. Son of William Perley.

Dec.r 3 Israel. Son of Asa Kimball.

" 10 Rebecca. Daughter of Rebecca (wife of Samuel) Stickney

" 24 Paul. Son of Benjamin Perley.

22. 14 M. 8 Fem:

Baptisms continued.

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Baptisms Continued

Jan'y 21 Nathaniel. Son of Reuben Burnam

Feb'y 4 Priscilla. Daughter of Richard Peabody

Abigail Wife of

Enoch. Son of Jacob Hazen.

March 11 Oliver. Son of Jonathan Peabody

Samuel. Son of David Foster.

April 1 Anna Daughter of Anna (Wife of Joseph) Stickney.

Francis. Son of John Justice.

Nathan. Son of Moses Peabody

15 Abigail. Daughter of Priscilla (Wife of John) Hillam

Relief. Daughter of Daniel Peabody.

July 1 James. Son of Nathan Low.

Aug't 12 Joshua. Son of Sarah (Wife of Jacob) Perley.

Sept 23 Eunice. Daughter of Mehetabel (Wife of Jacob) Emerson Dwinnell

Oct 14 Hephzibah. Daughter of Daniel Chapman

Nov'r 25 Joseph. Son of Deacon Symonds.

Dec'r 2 Enoch. Son of Amos Gould.

30 Moses. Son of Simeon Stiles.

Dolly. Daughter of Jacob Andrews.

18. 11 M. 7 Fem.

Baptisms continued

Jan 20 John. Son of Moses Kimball.

March 7 Joseph. Son of Nathaniel Smith.

" 21 Molly. Daughter of Ebenezer Fisk.
Moses. Son of Samuel Cree.

April 7 Elisha Lot. Son of Hannah (Wife of John) Poulman

" 28 Jenny. Daughter of Thomas Wood.

June 7 Francis. Son of Richard Peabody & M^r Smith.

July 21 Mary. Daughter of Jedidiah Peabody & M^r Emerson.

Sept^r 8 John. Son of John Town.

" 15 Lois. Daughter of Nathaniel Perley. & M^r Smith

Oct^r 6 Jedidiah. Son of Asa Kimball.

Nov^r 10 Samuel. Son of Rebecca (Wife of Samuel) Stickney
Francis. Son of John Emery.

Dec^r 15 Phebe. Daughter of Jacob Hazen. x Abigail Wife of
H. G. M. S Fam:

1772

Jan^y 19 Edward. Son of Elizur Holyoke.

Feb^y 23 Elisabeth. Daughter of Priscilla (Wife of Jn^o) Killam

March 22 Elisabeth. Daughter of William Hale.

April 26 Judith. Daughter of John Miles
Jane. Daughter of Anna (Wife of Joseph) Stickney

Baptisms continue

Baptisms Continued

May 10 Sarah. Daughter of John Curtice Ye Mr Emerson
— 24 Stephen. Son of Moses Putnam
— 31 Samuel. Son of Moses Peabody. Ye Mr Smith
June 7 Moses. Son of Susanna Devinell.
July 12 Daniel. Son of John Emery.
— 19 Moses. & Betty. Twin-Children of Abner Curtice
Lettice. Daughter of Daniel Peabody. Ye Mr
Fanny. Daughter of William Perley. Rogers of Cape-Ann
Augt. 9 Molly. Daughter of Moses Kimball.
— 30 Abigail. (a Twin.) Daughter of James Pickard.
Asha. Daughter of Sarah (Wife of Jacob) Perley.
Sept 20 Samuel. Son of Richard Peabody Ye Mr Holt.
— 27 Amos. Son of Jonathan Peabody.
Oct 4 Betty.
Eunice
Lucy.
Daniel.
Sally.
Children of Daniel Nurse.
Eunice. Daughter of Martha (Wife of John Junr) Town.
— 25 Daniel. Son of Nathan Low.
Nov 26 James. Son of Francis Perley. and Memoranda

By Mr Emerson

'72
Dec' 6 Dorcas. Daughter of Elisabeth (Wife of Richard) Foster.
28. 11 M. 17 Fem:

'73
Jan'y 31 Aaron. Son of Daniel Chapman.
Feb'y 28 Ephraim. Son of Martha (Wife of John Junr) Town.
April 18. Jonathan. Son of Relief (Wife of Jacob) Eills.
June 6 Sarah. Killam. Adult. Wife of Thomas Killam.

27 Betty. Jonathan. Jeremiah. Phebe. Enoch. } Children of the Widow Hannah Foster.

July 18 Hannah. Daughter of Jedidiah Stickney.
Stephen. Son of Noah Stiles.

Aug't 1 John. Son of Hannah (Wife of John) Putman.
Elijah. Son of Mehetabel (Wife of Jacob) Dwinnell.
Elisabeth. Daughter of John Dorman junr.

29 Simeon. Son of Simeon Stiles.
Polly. Daughter of Thomas Killam.

Oct' 10 Jonathan, Son of John Cushing.
Nov'r 4 Daniel. Son of Jonathan Town. vid Memoranda
7 Sarah. Daughter of Moses Putnam.
Dec'r 5 Israel. Son of Nathaniel Perley.

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Baptisms Continued.

Dec 12 Jacob. Son of Timothy Stiles. c

21. 1 Adult. 14 M. 7 Fem:

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Moses. Son of the Widow Hannah Foster.

Jan 30. Oliver. Son of William Perley. c

James. Son of John Curtis. c

Feb 20 Asa. Son of Jonathan Town.

.... 27 Fanny. Daughter of Francis Perley.

Mar: 13 Anne. Daughter of Jacob Andrews. c

.... 27 Hannah & Huldah. Twin Daughters of Daniel Nurs.

May 1st Hannah. Daughter of Moses Peabody.

.... 15 Solomon. Son of John Town. c

Sept 4 Jacob. Son of Moses Kimball.

.... 18 Molly. Daughter of Priscilla (Wife of John) Killam

Apha. Daughter of Benjamin Perley. c

Oct 23 Hannah. Daughter of Ebizur Holyoke.

Josiah. Son of Abigail (Wife of Jacob) Kezer.

Nov 13 Mercy. Daughter of Martha (Wife of John Jun.) Town.

.... 27 Deborah & Lydia Andrews. Adult. c

Sarah. Daughter of Deacon Symonds. c

Dec 25 Levi. Son of Levi Goodridge.

20 2 Adult 8 M. 12 Fem.

1775 Baptisms Continued.

Jan 4
29 Rebecca. Daughter of Daniel Peabody.
Feb 15 Samuel. Son of Richard Peabody.
Mar 12 Mehetabel. Daughter of John Borman.
April 23 Mark-How. Son of Daniel Chapman.
May 7 Greenleaf. Son of Dudley Porter.
June 4 William. Son of Nathan Low. & Mr French.
25. John. Son of Sarah (Wife of John) Platts. & 4
Elisha & Elizur. Twin Sons of Mehetabel (Wife of Jacob) Divinne
Relief. Daughter of Relief (Wife of Jacob) Wills
Poetty. Daughter of Elisabeth (Wife of Richd) Foster.
July 30 Thomas. Son of Hannah (Wife of John) Butman.
Sept 10 Peggy. Daughter of John Curtice & Mr Symmes.
Oct 15 Rebecca. Daughter of Jedidiah Stickney
Nov 12 Nahum. Son of Timothy Stiles.
Dec 3 Joshua. Son of Jacob Andrews.
Sarah. Daughter of Thomas Killam.

17.10 M 7 Dem:

1776
Feb 4 Artemas. Son of Nathaniel Perley.
Mar 17 Francis. Son of Francis Perley & Mr Hale.
24 Becca Daughter of Amos Perley.

Miscellaneous Matters.

1761 Augst 18 A Day of Fasting & Prayer upon account of Drought & Revd Messrs Emerson & Smith assisted. —

1762 July 28 A Day of Prayer occasion'd by Drought this year also Preach'd from Deut. 11 Chap. 12—17 V. —

1765 Octr 26 By a Letter Missive from a Chh in Bradford requesting Assistance in the Ordination of Revd Mr Williams on ye 20 Novr next: ye Chh voted to send, & Deacons Hale & Kimball Delegates

1769 Jan 18 Recd a Letter from Mr Joseph Lee of Concord to be communicated desiring Assistance in a Party-Council, Read ye Letter Feb. 5th When the Chh voted not to send. &

1771 May 6 Read a Letter Missive from ye Chh in Candia N. Hampshire requesting Assistance in ye Ordination of Revd Mr Jewett on ye 5th of June next; ye Chh voted to send & Chose Deacon Kimball & Nathan Wood Delegates

1773 Aug 8th Read a Letter from 2d Chh in this Town request Assistance respecting Mr Osgood's Ordination or Matters relative thereto. ye Chh voted to send & Chose Deacon Kimball & Nathan Wood Delegates & the Council sat three Days, & then advised that Mr Osgood leave that People; the accordingly ask'd & the Chh granted him a Dismission. — —

1774 Novr 13 Read a Letter from 2d Chh in this Town desiring Assistance in the Ordination of Mr Moses Hale Junr. the Chh voted to send & Chose Deacon Symonds Capt Perley & Nathan Wood Delegates. —

1775 Octr 1 Read a Letter from ye Chh in Fryeburg desiring Assistance in ye Ordination of ye Revd Mr Wm Fessenden. The Chh voted to send & Chose Nathan Wood, Joseph Hale & Jer. Foster Junr Delegates; but Sickness prevented our attending on the Ordination. —

Decr 8 Read a Letter from ye 2d Chh in Scarborough requesting Assistance in the Ordination of Revd Benja Hadwich; ye Chh did not vote to send.

1779 Novr 7 Read a Letter from the Chh in Lyndfield desiring Assistance in the Ordination of Revd Daniel Breck.

Miscellaneous Matters.

the Chh voted to send & chose Deacon Symonds and Mr Joseph Hale Delegates.

1789 Dec 27 Read a Letter from the 2d Chh in this Town desiring Assistance in the Ordination of Rev. Peter Talon; the Chh voted to send, & chose Deacon Symonds Major Perley & Nathan Wood, Delegates.

1791 Jan 1 Read a Letter from the Chh in Topsfield requesting Assistance in the Ordination of the Rev. Asahel Huntington, the Chh voted to send, & chose Deacon Dorman & Joseph Hale Delegates.

1793. Feb. 6th Read a Letter Missive from the Chh in Middleton requesting assistance in the ordination of the Rev. Solomon Adams. The Chh voted to send, and chose David Kimball & Elisha Gould Delegates.

1795 Nov 15 Read a Letter missive from the first church in Methuen requesting assistance in the ordination of the Rev Humphrey Clark Perley. The Church voted to send, and chose Deac Moses Peabody, Jonathan Wood & Thomas Perley Delegates.

This may certify that Mary, the wife of John Putnam (now Kimball) was admitted to the solemn transaction of owning her baptismal covenant in the first church in Marblehead, Oct 9, 1791 — as attests by the records. Samuel Dana, Pastor
Marblehead Oct 28, 1801.

1774
Dec.r 18 Stay'd the Chh after Service & heard a Complaint exhibited against our Brother D for profane Swearing & appointed a Meeting of the Chh to morrow at 2 o Clock
---19 Chh Meeting. Was the Complaint against our said Brother was ——— Read which was an Attested Copy of his Conviction before a Majestrate; the following Votes were pass'd. —
Vote 1 That there be Three Brethren of ye Chh chosen to talk with those three Persons who upon Oath declared before Mr Justice Brown that our brother D swore profanely
V2 That Ens.r Curtice be One V3 That Jer Foster Jun.r be another
V4 That Benj.a Goodridge be ye 3d ——— Person for ye above Purpose
V5. That this Meeting be adjourn'd to next Wednesday Sev'night at 2 o Clock. —
---26 Chh Met according to Adjournment when ye Brethren chosen for ye Purpose mentioned in ye first Vote & ye preceeding Meeting, gave in Writing the Substance of their Conversation which was read; & which they say as to the Substance of the Matter they do agree: Then these Votes were pass'd. 1 Vote. That the Persons with whom ye Brethren of ye Chh talk'd on the Affair of Brother D swearing profanely be desired ———— separately to relate ye Matter before ye Chh: This they did.
V2 That this Meeting be adjourn'd to Friday next at 1 o Clock
---30 Chh met according to Adjournment; when these Votes were pass'd. VI That the Pastor write to all the Evidences relative to Brother D Affair, that they be desir'd to attend ye Chh Meeting according to Adjournment; & that Mr Wheeler be desir'd to leave in Writing what he knows relative to ye Matter. — 2 Vote That this Meeting be adjourn'd to next Monday Sev'night at One o Clock. —
The Letters were wrote & sent as desir'd &c

1775
Jun.y 4th Chh Met according to Adjournment. The Evidences appear'd & again related to ye Chh what they knew respecting Brother D & Mr Wheeler's written Evidence was also read; After which the following Votes were pass'd
Vote 1. That the Charge brought against Brother D for Swearing several profane Oaths is sufficiently proved N.B Something being said by our Offending Brother tending to invalidate it, upon which it was propos'd that it be determin'd by Yeas & Nays. — Every Member present was then distinctly called by Name & there was Thirteen Yeas that the Charge was sufficiently prov'd, & but One Nay. —
Vote 2 Our Brother D being proved guilty

of uttering several profane Oaths it is our Minds that He be debarred from the Injoyment of the Lords Supper until He give the Chh Christian Satisfaction. Determin'd in the same manner as the former Vote: Twelve Years. without one Nay. — NB two Brethren before this Vote was past'd went Home. — The Meeting dissolv'd. — NB Every Thing material relative to this Unhappy Affair is inserted. —

1776: May 5. Stay'd the Chh relative to reading the Scriptures & other Books of Piety in the Intermission of the public Services of the Sabbath when the same was determin'd by Vote & Messrs Joseph Hale Jer.r Foster Junr & John Dorman be the Readers. —

June 9 Stay'd the Chh by Mr Dorman's Desire to be excus'd from being a Reader as above upon which He was excus'd & Mr Nurse chosen in his Stead. —

1777 May 11 Stay'd the Chh about Reading & in the Intermission of publicic Services on the Sabbath when Jeremiah Foster Junr Majr: Asa Perley & Joseph Hale Junr were chosen for s.d Service.

July 20 Began the public Worship with Singing by general Desire Leaders in this part of Worship previously chosen. Messieurs Nathaniel Perley, Moses Peabody, David & Samuel Kimball. —

Aug 11 Chh. Meet. Voted that Deacon Symonds procure a Quantity of Wine for the Sacrament Table.

1778. Feby 16 Chh Meet. Voted (1) That Deacon Symonds's Accompt the Total of which is £20-6-5 be accepted. (2) That the Widows Smith, Andrews & Chubbuck & Jacob Fills's Wife be excused from paying their Part of the above Accompt. (3) That Each Communicant contribute Six Shillings & Nine Pence for the Discharge of the said Accompt. —

1779 June 8 Chh Meet. Voted (1) That a Committee be chosen to reckon with the Deacons, & that the Number of the Communicants who are able to support the Sacrament Table pay their equall Proportion —

Recognitions of the Covenant.

1776

Baptisms.

April
21 John. Son of Daniel Nurse. Q. M^r Smith.
28. Jacob. Son of Jacob Perley.
May 19. Moses. Son of John Willet Q. M^r Chandler
26. Jeremiah. Son of Moses Peabody.
Parker. Son of Samuel Brown.
July 7 Moses. Son of Elisabeth (Wife of Reynold) Foster.
Deborah. Daughter of William Perley.
Aug^t 11 Andrew & Benjamin. Twin Sons of Moses Kimball.
Sep^t 8 Olive. Daughter of Samuel Brown.
Dec^r 8 Alpheus & Elisabeth Children of Hannah (Wife of Benj^a Goodridge Jun^r) Wyeth.
22 Jonathan & Thomas Dorrinell. Adult.
17. 13. M. 4. Fem: 2. Adult.

1777
Feb 12 Mary & Elisabeth Dorrinell. Adult.
Mar. 23 Anna. Daughter of Benjamin Perley.
30 Oliver. Son of Hannah (Wife of John) Putnam.
Apr. 6 Jeremiah. Son of Nathan Low.
Hannah. Daughter of Hannah (Wife of Elijah Averill) Averill.
May 11 Hitty. Daughter of Mehetabel (Wife of Ja^s Dorrinell) Dorrinell.
18. Joseph. Son of Priscilla (Wife of John) Killam.
June 29. Nabby & Hannah Dorrinell. Adult.

Baptisms continues.

1777

Baptisms Continued

July ---13 Jonathan. Son of Relief (Wife of Jacob) Eells.

Sept 7 Hannah. Daughter of Elisabeth (Wife of Rd) Foster

" Mercy. Daughter of Simeon Stiles. c

Oct 12 Jonathan-Frie Son of Joshua Read & Pr 1777

" Francis. Son of John Curtice ---- } Mr Fields

---19. Lois. Daughter of Daniel Chapman.

---26 Joseph. Son of John Town.

Nov: 16 Mary. Daughter of Elisabeth (Wife of Reynold) Foster

---23. Asa-Tyler. Son of Jedidiah Stickney. } Mr Hall

Dec: 14 Molly Gallop. Adult.

--- 21 Esther. Daughter of Jacob Andrew.

21: S.M. 13 Fem: 5 Adult.

1778

Jan: 25 Susanna. Daughter of Joseph Symonds. c

Mar. 8 Moses. Son of Ebenezer Dodge. c

April 26: William Son of Asa Smith. } Mr Hale. c

May 3 Stephen. Son of the Widow Sarah Davinne

---17 Jacob. Son of Moses Peabody. } Mr Symmes

---24 Nancy. Daughter of Francis Perley. } Mr Willard

June 28 Andrew. Son of Thomas Gould

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Baptisms Continued.

July
12 David. Son of Samuel Brown. (Hale)
19 John. Son of Jacob Gould. "
Sept 6 Mary. Daughter of Abraham Smith. "
Oct 4 Polly Cummings. Adult.
Nov 29. Fanny. Daughter of Daniel & Nurs. (Hale)
12 M & Fem. 1 Adult.

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Feb 17 Joseph Spafford. Son of Richard Peabody.
Mar 7 Ebenezer. Son of Susanna Murphy.
Phebe. Daughter of Moses Kimball.
14 Asa. Son of Simeon Stiles.
April Samuel. Son of Priscilla (wife of John) Pellam.
11 Betty. Daughter of John Curtice "
Phebe. Daughter of Timothy Stiles "
May 16 Judy. Daughter of Samuel Cree.
23 Stephen. Son of Mary (wife of Nath[l] Jun[r]) Smith.
June 8 John & Sarah. Twin Children of [illegible] Perley.
July 11 Asa Son of Hannah (Wife of John) Bateman.
Aug 15. Jeremiah. Son of Nathan Low.
Sept 17 Amos. Son of Amos Perley.

Baptisms continued

Baptisms Continued.

Nov.r
—14 Daniel. Son of John Town.
—28 Sarah. Daughter of Thomas Kimball.
Dec.r 5 Abraham. Son of William Perley 3d. Mr. Pres.
17. 11 M. 6 Fem:

1780
Mar 5 Dorothy. Daughter of William Hale.
5 Lydia. Daughter of Deborah (Wife of Josiah) Andrews
—19 Sarah. Daughter of Joseph Symonds.
Apr.l 2 Silas. Son of Asa Smith.
—23 Silas Hayes. Son of John Willet.
May 14 Jeremiah. Son of Daniel Hopkinson } Fuller
—21 Sarah. Daughter of Samuel Cree. } M.r
—28 Hannah. Daughter of Abraham Smith.
June 11. Sarah. Daughter of Rufus Barnam.
July 2. Sarah. Daughter of Moses Peabody. Estate
—23 Francis. Son of Francis Perley. Gent.r
Dec.r 3 Andrew. Son of Moses Kimball.
12. 5 M. 7 Fem:

1781
Mar 18 Betty. Daughter of Benjamin Perley.
May 6 Elisabeth. Daughter of John Curtice.
—13 Asha. Daughter of Timothy Giles.

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Baptisms Continued

June
24 Oliver. Son of Priscilla (Wife of John) Killam
Israel. Son of Amos Perley. c
Aug 26 Anna. Daughter of Simeon Town
Nov 11 Charles. Son of Elizur Holyoke. c
7. 3 M 4 Fem:

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Jan. 24 Jonathan-Hale. Son of the Widow Sarah Platts.
June 16 Jacob. Son of Deborah (Wife of Joshua) Andrews.
Sept 8 Seth. Son of Rufus Putnam
22 Betsy. Daughter of Moses Kimball.
Oct 13 Moses. Son of Daniel Chapman.
20 Ebenezer Putnam. Son of Francis Perley. J. M. Symmes
6. 5 M. 1 Fem:

783.
Feb 9. c Nathan Andrews Jun. Adult.
Mar. 30 Samuel. Son of John Town. c
May 25. Samuel. Son of Joseph Symonds. c
June 15. Frederick. Son of Amos Perley.
22 Rebecca Daughter of John Curtice
Nov 16. Joseph. Son of John Foster. J. M. Breck.
6. 5 M 4 Fem: 1 Adult.

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Feb 4. Oliver. Son of Timothy Stiles.
22 Jemima Peabody. Daughter of Elisha Gould

1779 Chh meets June 8 Vote 2d That the Committee consist of Three V. 3 That Majr Perley be One. V. 4 That Lieut Dorman be another V. 5 That Mr Nurse be the Third Person.

1780 May 25 Chh Meety. Nothing voted but the Adjournment of the Meety to the third Thursday in June.

June 15. Chh met according to Adjournment, when the following Votes were pass'd. 1 Vote That the Deacons Accompts be accepted. 2 V. That there be a Committee to reckon with the Deacons anonually. 3 V. That Mr Thos Perley be One, 4th V. That Dr Hale be another, 5th V. That Lt Dorman be the Third Person. 6th V. That this Committee make Report anonually of their Reckoning with the Deacons. 7th V. That this Committee apportion the Sum the Communicants are to pay for defraying the Charge of the Sacramental Tables. 8th V. That the Widow Sarah Perley & the Widow Smith be excused their Part of the Contribution. At This Meety the Chh by written Votes made Choice of Lt Dorman for a Deacon by a very great Majority.

1781. Aug 27 Chh Meety. Voted the Acceptance of the Deacons Accompt. due to them £1–18–8:

1782 April 26 Chh Meety. When these two Votes were passed. 1 V. To accept of the Deacons Accompt. due to them from the Chh £2–10–5: which to each Communicant Ten Pence. 2 V. To raise Money for the Supply of the Sacramental Tables for

the Three next ensuing Seasons: which to each Communicant is Eight Pence. Total Eighteen Pence. ——>

1783 April 24 Chh Meetg. Vote 1 to Accept the Deacons Accompts, amounting to £2-0-5. Vote 2 That the Communicants contribute next Sacrament Day £0-1-4 Each, for the Provision of the Lord's Table.

1784 1785-1786. 1787. 1788.

1789 June 14 Stayed the Chh after Service when it was proposed & agreed to by the Brethren that the Ordinance of the Supper instead of being celebrated Once in two Months beginning with the first Sabbath in Janry it should be Once in Six Weeks beginning with the first Sabbath in April & ending about the Middle of November.

1790 April 4 Stayed the Chh after Service & read Mr Hurd's Reasons for his Absence from the Table of the Lord, & voted satisfactory.

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1792 Chh Meeting for the Choice of a Deacon when Mr Moses Peabody was elected.

1795 June 26 Chh Meeting for the choice of a Deacon, a thin Meeting, nothing voted but, an adjournment of the meeting to the next fryday

July 3 Chh met according to adjournment, when Capt Jonathan Woods was chosen.

1810 The Chh. met for the purpose of choosing a Deacon (Capt Wood declining to accept) Lieut Joseph Simonds was chosen.

1830. The Church convened at the meeting house for the purpose of choosing a Deacon (Lieut Simonds declining) Capt Jonathan Wood was again unanimously elected

June — 1827 Oliver, J. Peabody was chosen Deacon

1784 Baptisms Continued

April 11 Dolly. Daughter of William & Stacy.
June 6 Lucy. Daughter of Moses Peabody.
July 25. Mehetabel. Daughter of Nathan Andrews Jun
Sept 12 Dudley. Son of Moses Kimball &c
6. 2 M. 4 Fem:

1785
June 26. Lucy. Daughter of Joseph Symonds.
July 3d Asa. Son of Priscilla (Wife of John) Killam.
24. Loamni. Son of Samuel Exc. & Mr Smith. s
Aug 7 Robert. Son of Nathan Andrews Junr & Mr Hale.
Nov 13 Lucy. Daughter of John Town.
Dec 25. Stephen Barker. Son of Betty (Wife of Isac) Smith
6. 4 M. 2 Fem.

1786
Feb 12 Betty. Daughter of Abraham Smith
26 Jedidiah. Son of Timothy Stiles.
Molly Daughter of Elysha Gould & Mr
3. 1 M. 2 Fem:

1787
Jan 7 Jemima. Daughter of John Foster.
April 1 Charles. Son of Moses Peabody.
June 24 Samuel. Son of Eusebia (Wife of Benj.a) Gould.
July 29 James. Son of Francis Perley.
Nov 25. Lydia. Daughter of Thomas Batman
5. 3 M. 2 Fem.

Baptisms Continued.

ril 3 Jeremiah. Son of Timothy Stiles.

me 15. Mehetabel. Daughter of Nathan Andrews Junr.

ly 13 Thomas. Son of Eusebia (Wife of Benjamin) Goold.

t 19 Polly. Daughter of Joseph Symonds. Ps Mr Symmes.

Rebeckah.
Lucy.
Ancill.
Appha.
Aaron.
Artemas.
David.
} Children of David Kimball.

11. 6 M. 5 Fem.

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ay 3 Oliver. Son of Betty (Wife of Isaac) Smith.

24 Oliver. Son of John Town Ps Mr Smith.

31 Charles. Son of Thomas Boutman. Ps Mr Symmes.

ne 14 Hannah. Daughter of Francis Perley.

g 23 Hannah. Daughter of Prince Burnam.

t 20 Fanny. Daughter of Amos Perley. 6. 3 M. 3 Fem:

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ay 16. Josiah. Son of David Kimball.

ne 13. Naomi. Daughter of Timothy Stiles. Ps Mr Symmes.

ly 25 Abbot. Son of Eusebia (Wife of Benja) Goold Ps Mr Mottay

g 29 Benjamin. Son of Elizabeth (Wife of Nath.) Herrick.

p 7 Nancy. Daughter of Moses Peabody. Huntington

14 Mehetabel. Daughter of Joseph Symonds Ps Mr

6. 3. M. 3 Fem.

1791

Baptisms Continued

May 1 Lydy. Daughter of Elizabeth (Wife of Nath[l]) Herrick

—15 Thomas. Son of Thomas Putman. By Mr Eaton

June 26. Ruth Putnam Daughter of Francis Perley

July 24 { William Hale & Abigail. Children of Jon[a] Wood } By Mr
{ Dorcas. Daughter of John Foster. } Motley

6. 2 M. 4 Fem.

1792

July 29 Eusebia. Daughter of Eusebia (Wife of Benj[a]) Gould. c

Sept 16 Sarah Redington Daughter of Jonathan Wood

Nov[r] 11 Jacob. Son of Elizabeth (Wife of Nath[l]) Herrick.

—18 { David, Amos, & Jacob. Children of Mehetabel (Wife of } By Mr Williams.
{ Jacob) Downes. }

6. 1 M. 2 Fem.

1793.

April 8[th] Lucy Upton. Adult. privately By Mr Eaton.

May 19[th] Charles, son of Rebecca (Wife of John) White. By Mr Dutch

Aug. 18[th] Lucy, daughter of Nathan Low Jun[r] By Mr French.

Sept 29[th] { Hitty. Artemas. Lucy. Martha. } Children of Edmund Herrick. By Mr Symmes

Samuel, son of Nathan Andrews Jun[r]. By Mr Symmes.

Nov[r] 24 Jonas Son of John Foster. By Mr Eaton 9. 4 M. 5 Fem.

1794

Jan[y] 19 Ruth Putnam Daughter of Francis Perley.

March 2 Sophia Daughter of Joseph Symonds B. Mr Eaton

1794 Baptisms Continued.

April 13 Pamela Daughter of Edmund Herrick Mr. Whitney's

May 18 Nahum Son of Timothy Stiles.

Aug. 31. David & Jonathan twin sons of Jonathan Wood.

Dec. 2 Charles, Enoch Wood, Parker } Sons of Parker Spafford

1795

Jan. 26 Esther Daughter of Nathan Andrews jun. (for Mr Huntington)

May 10 William Son of Thomas Butman for Mr Symmes.

June 30 Mary Daughter of Nathan Low jun. for Mr Williams.

July 18 Hannah, Daughter of Moses Wilkins for Mr Barnard

1796

Feb. 21 Debby daughter of Francis Parley.

April 3. Caroline daughter of Edmund Herrick, for Mr Adams.

May 15th Moody son of John Foster for Mr Bentley.

Aug. 21 Elizabeth, Daughter of Elizabeth (Wife of Nathaniel) Herrick for Mr Huntington.

1797 Feby 22 Eunice Kimball, Adult, for Mr Eaton

March 23 Fredrick son of Joseph Symmes } Privately by Mr Symmes

Daniel Son of Nathan Andrews jun.

May 14 Enoch son of the Widow Abigail Wood

June 11 Ward son of Eusebia, (wife of Benjn) Gould for Mr Eaton.

Admissions.

1803
Sept 25 Elisabeth Symonds.

" Sarah Peabody.

Sept 14 Eunice Perley.

1810 April 15 Sarah the Wife of Thomas Perley

May 27 1810 Mary Spafford

1810 Dec 8 Aaron Perley And Mehitable his Wife

1810 Dec 8 Sarah Gould

Sept 30 1811 Moses Kimball

June 13 1813 Betsey Gould

Sept 5 1813 Nancy Adams

August 14 1814 Phebe Wood

Sept 17 1815 Betsy Foster

Wife of Asa Foster

Dec 10 1815 Dorcas the Wife of Eleazer Putnam Esqr

Hannah Peabody

August 18 1818

August 29 1819 Sarah Chester

July 9 1820 Asa Perley

Baptisms.

1797
Oct. 15 Pamela, Daughter of Moses Wilkins, p. M. Burch

1798
Feb. 18 Edward Payson son of Francis Perley, for Mr Brayman

Aug. 19 Hulidah, Daughter of Elizabeth (Wife of Nathaniel) Herrick; p. Mr. Moore.

Oct. 30 Charles, son of Timothy Stiles, p. Mr. Eaton

1799
May 12 Mary Wood, Daughter of Parker Spafford p. Mr Eaton

1800
June 22 John & Pamelia Children of Edmund Herrick
Paul son of moses Wilkins } p. Mr Huntington

July 6 William Hathorne son of Francis Perley, p. Mr Dr Cutler

Aug. 24 Aaron Wood son of Jonas Warren, & Lydia Spofford his wife
Dean son of Nathan Andrews Jr, p. Mr Dana of Newbury port.

1801
March 29 Susanna, Daughter of Joseph Seymour p. Mr Smith

May 1 Samuel son of (Mary (wife of Samuel) Kimball p. Mr Brown

1802
June 27 Mary daughter of Mary (wife of Samuel) Kimball. p. Mr Brown

1790 May 3d
Ch. h. Meet'g for the choice of a Deacon when Mr Parker & Stafford was elected
June — 1827
Mr Oliver J. Peabody was chosen Deacon Mr Eaton presided

1802 Sept 6th
Church Met & Voted 1st That Dr Watts's Psalms & Hymns be introduced & sung in the room of Tate & Brady's Psalms after the 1st of April next if the Parish concur. —— 2d That Elisha Gould & his wife Elizabeth be dismissed from this Church to the Church in Farnworth in New Hampshire.

1808 Jan'y 4
At a meeting of the Church, Rev. Peter Eaton Moderator.

1st Voted to invite Mr Ebenezar Hubbard to settle in the Gospel ministry in the first parish in this town.

2d Voted that Mr Richard Foster notify the parish (by notifying their Committee) of the above proceedings of the Church for their concurrence in the above transaction.

3. Voted that Mr Richard Foster wait on Mr Ebenezar Hubbard with a Copy of the above proceedings

Parker Stafford Clerk

2 Admissions

August 25–1822 Daniel Perley
October 27–1822 Sarah, Wife of Phineas Perley —
July 12th 1825 – Lois, Wife of Oliver Peabody
do – do Charlotte Wife of Samuel Towne
– do – do Mary, Wife of Samuel Peabody
Sept 11th 1825) Oliver Tyler Peabody —
April 30–1826 Sophia Kimball
August 20th 1826 James Whitemore
Nov 12–1826 Widow Sarah Gould
do do do Anne the Wife of Moses Gould
Dec 12–1826 Widow Hannah Lofty
do do do Sarah the Wife of John Sawyer
do do do Mehetabel Gould Dorman
do do do Mehetabel the Wife of Perley
do do do Charles Peabody & his Wife Sarah
do do do Nancy Peabody —
January 10, 1827
do Ariele Stickney and his Wife Mehitabel
do do do Lucy the Wife of Daniel Chapman
July 1827 Lucy Wife of Capt Symonds
do – do Maria Symonds and Nancy Gould
Dec 2–1827 Ezra Towne and his Wife
Sarah H —
July 13–1828 Sarah Warren
do do do Achsy Dorman

1803

Baptisms

Augt 28th Eunice, Daughter of Nattan Andrews Junr. (Mr Huntington

1804
Sept 9 John, Son of John Sawyer Jr (Mr Braman

1805
April 28 Fanny, Daughter of Moses Dillingham Jr (Mr Stone
Dec 22 Elizabeth, Daughter of John Sawyer Jr (Mr Eaton —

1809
Sept 17 James Freeman, Son of Isaac Briggs

July 16 1810 Sarah Ann, Daughter of John Sawyer

August 12 1810 Hannah, Edna Gould, Sarah — Children of Elizabeth Wife of Nathaniel Merrick —

Decr 8th 1810 Sarah Gould Adult — — —

Decr 8 1810 Israel, Asa, Enoch, Thomas, Rebecca, Harriot, Lucelah — Children of Aaron Perley

Kimball

Feby 28, 1813 Charles Augustus Son of John Sawyer Junr

May 16 1813 Mary Perley Daughter of Arlemas Peabody presented for Baptism, by her grand Parents Aaron Perley & Mehitable his Wife

August 1814 Phebe Wood, Adult

Baptisms

Decem 26, 1814 Benjamin Spofford, Son of Phineas Barns —

Sept 29-1816 Archelaus Morrill, Asa Richard Kimball } Children of Asa Porter

October 2-1816 Lydia Daughter of Phineas Barns —

Dec 8th Sarah ~~Barry~~ Daughter of Isaac Briggs

August 14-1818 Hannah Peabody Adult

August 14-1818 Angelina Daughter of Oliver Killam

August 22-1819 Rebecca Daughter Phineas Barns

October 1819 Oliver Son of Oliver Killam

August 25-1822 Phineas Warren Son of Phineas Barns

Nov 3-1822 William Endicot Son of Oliver Killam

Nov 24-1822 Joseph Gould & Nathaniel, Sons of Phineas Perley

June 12-1825 — Charlotte Towne Wife of Samuel Towne

do — do Mary Peabody Wife of Samuel Peabody

June 19-1825 — Charlotte Fletcher Rebeca Clark &

Elvira, Samuel Horace, Lucy ~~Johnston~~ Mary Augustus, Wm Johnston Children of Samuel Towne

July 17-1825 — Samuel Porter, Stephen, Mary Malissy — Children of Samuel Peabody

July 31-1825 — Sarah Daughter of Oliver Peabody and James Monroe an adopted Child of Oliver Peabody —

Boxford 18th July 1808

At a meeting of the First church in Boxford. Rev Peter Eaton was chosen — Moderator — & Deacon Parker Spafford was chosen Clerk —

Voted unanimously to invite Rev Isaac Briggs to settle with us in the work of the Gospel-ministry — — —

Voted to appoint a Committee to wait on Mr. Briggs with the above vote —

Chose Mr Richard Foster and Deacon Parker Spafford for that purpose — — —

Parker Spafford Scribe

August 1808

Mr Briggs's answer — —

To the First church and religious society in Boxford — — —

My christian Friends — —

Whereas He, in whose hands are the hearts of all men and who can turn them as the rivers of water are turned, hath in his all-wise providence inclined you unanimously to invite me, who am most unworthy, to the pastoral charge over you in the Lord — I do now return you my most grateful acknowledgment for the honor conferd on me in your election —

And with respect to the important affair proposed to my consideration; after ~~having~~ Serious enquiry, what was my duty, after having consulted my friends & some of my Fathers in the ministry — I do now with a trembling heart but a willing mind, hereby manifest my acceptance of your invitation, and offer to settle with you in the work of the Gospel-ministry —

— And altho I have thought it my duty to obtain such a maintenance as might free me from the necisity of encumbering myself [illegible]

with the things of this world, yet I humbly trust I can truly say, that I principally seek not yours but you — May the Great Shepherd of Israel who dwelleth between the cherubem, shine forth upon us all, visiting us with his light & love — — I would likewise with the greatest impor-tunity ask an interest in your prayers at the throne of divine grace, that you would strive with me in your prayers to God for me — that I may be enabled to discharge with fidelity my duty incumbent upon me, that I may both save myself & those who hear me —

May we all have abundant reason to rejoice together in peace and unity in this world & be crowned with eternal Glory in the world to come

18th
July 1808 The First Church of Christ in Boxford, unanimously invited Isaac Briggs to settle with them in the work of the Gospel ministry

The church sent invited the following Ministers and their delegates to assist in the Installation of Isaac Briggs - viz. Rev Mr Thompson, Berwick. Rev Joseph Buckminster D.D. Portsmouth N. H. - Rev Mr Chandler Kittery, Rev Mr Messinger York. Rev Mr Briggs Kittery Rev Mr Porter Rye N. H. Rev Mr French N. Hampton N. H. Rev Mr Abbot Hampton-falls, Rev Mr Stone Reading Rev Mr French Andover Rev Mr Eaton Boxford Rev Mr Braman Rowley. Rev Mr Huntington Topsfield Rev Mr Adams Middleton and Rev Mr Perley Methuen —

Installation on the 28th Sept 1808 — — —

Rev Mr Briggs Kittery made the introductory Prayer — Rev Mr French of Hampton preached, 2 Cor. 6 ch. 4 v. Rev Mr Stone Reading gave the Charge Rev Mr Huntington made the consecrating Prayer Rev Mr Eaton gave the Right hand and Rev Mr Chandler made the concluding Prayer —

Isaac Briggs dismission from the 2d ch. in York
to the First Church of Christ in Boxford —

— Beloved Brethren —

While we deeply lament, that circumstances
were such, as to render it expedient, that the
ministerial relation of Rev Isaac Briggs to his
Church & people should be dissolved, yet a
mutual ecclesiastical council convened in the season
of our difficulties, having advised to such a separation —
We felt it our duty to vote his dismission from his pastoral
office and obligations to us — The christian relation
between our former Pastor and ourselves as members of
the church of christ in this place, has been continued
and we hope with satisfaction enjoyed occasional
communion together since the pastoral relation was
dissolved — Being informed that you have invited
him to take the oversight of you in the Lord, we, at
his request with regret on our own account, but with
joy on yours, do hereby dismiss him from his special
relation to this church & heartily recommend him to
your holy fellowship & communion — wishing that
he may come to you in fullness of the blessing of
the gospel of Christ, and asking your prayers for us in
our bereaved & destitute situation — we subscribe your
brethren in the faith & fellowship of the gospel —

Simon Glover
Samuel Parsons
Jeremiah Wm Intere
Wm Shaw

Members of the Church

A true copy copy — of Briggs dismission

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July 2d 1809

Read before the Church Mrs Phebe Gould's Confession upon which she was admitted as a Member into this Church

The Letter

The Church of christ in Topsfield to the Church of christ in the South Parish in Boxford —

Dear & Beloved —

This certifies that Mrs Phebe Gould is an approved Member and in full communion with the Church of christ in this place — At her request she is hereby recommended to your fellowship — Her reception to your watch and Communion will be considered as dissolving her immediate connexion with us — — — — —

Per order of the Brethren

Asahel Huntington, Pastor

A True copy — Isaac Briggs Pastor —

809 May 13 Read a letter missive from the church of christ in Wenham to the first church in Boxford to assist in the ordination of Revd Richard Briggs — The church voted to send Two Delegates. chose Deacon Parker Spofford and Mr Benjamin Spofford —

May 23 1814 Read a letter missive from the Church of Christ in Billerica to the first Church of christ in Boxford to assist in the ordination of Mr Nathaniel Whitman as College Pastor with Rev Dr Channing voted to send Mr Benjamin Spofford Delegate

April 1814 Read a letter missive from the Church of Christ in Burlington to the first Church in Boxford to assist in the ordination of Mr Thomas Sewall — The church voted to send Two Delegates Chose Thomas Perley Esq and Deacon Parker Spofford —

Nov 1818 Read a letter missive from the 2d church in Beverly to the first Church in Boxford to assist in the Installation of Rev Humphry C Perley — The church voted to Send Deacon Parker Spofford Delegate — —

Sept 1820 Read a letter missive from the Church of Christ in Topsfield to the first Church in Boxford to assist in the Ordination of Mr Rodney Coe Dennis — The church voted to send Thomas Perley Esqr Delegate —

July 1821 Read a letter missive from the Church in West Boylston to assist in the ordination of Mr John Boardman — Chose Deacon Spofford & Mr Aaron Perley —

June 22-1817 Read before the Church Henrietta Briggs' dismission from the first Church in Canterbury, on the 22 upon which she was admitted as a Member into the first Church of Christ in Boxford ——

The Letter—

The 1st Church of Christ in Canterbury to the Church of Christ in Boxford Sendeth; greeting

Dear & Beloved

We can cordially assure you, that Mrs Briggs is a member in good & regular standing in this church - and as such is highly esteemed with us - As such therefore, she is recommended to your christian fellowship; and when removed as a member in particular relation with the church of Christ in Boxford; she will be considered as dismissed from that relation to this Church — Done by vote of the church of Christ in Canterbury September 29-1816

Asa Meech - Pastor
Isaac Briggs - Pastor

A True Copy - — —

Boxford April 23, 1818

The Church met at my House to attend to a Complaint of Brother Aaron Perley against Brother Benjamin Spofford — — —

Brother Spofford did not attend and the meeting of the Church was adjourned to ~~Thursday~~ Tuesday April ~~28~~ 28 - 1818

April 28

On Tuesday the Brethren & the Church met according to adjournment, when Brother Perley's complaint against Brother Spofford was read — Brother Spofford's Complaint against Brother Perley & Sister Perley was also read And after attempting to reconcile the parties and to bring their difficulties to an amicable adjustment, ~~but~~ in vain, the church agreed, at the request of Brothers D & S to adjourn their meeting to Thursday the 7th of May next —

May 7 1818 The Church met according to adjournment, when Brother Perley & Spofford agreed ~~to refer their difficulties~~ to refer their difficulties to the following gentlemen - viz Dr Asa Peirce of Ipswich, Dr Abel Pearson and Deacon Charles Foster of Andover - and the decision of said Referees is to be binding on the parties -

= The Church then adjourned, to meet at the House of Deacon Parker Spofford on Thursday the 14th instant at 9 o'clock A.M

May 1-1818 On Thursday the 1st day of May the Brethren of the Church met according to adjournment at the House of Deacon Parker Spofford at 9 o'clock A.M.

As Dr Abiel Pearson is necessarily absent, we the subscribers agree that Rev Mr Braman act in their business in his stead — Aaron Perley
Benjamen Spofford

A true copy ?
I Braman Pastor ?

May 14-1818 —

The meeting of the Referees was opened with Prayer

Result of the Referees —

The undersigned, having been appointed by Brethren Aaron Perley and Benjamin Spofford, with the approbation of the first Church in Boxford of which the said Perley and Spofford are members; to take into consideration differences subsisting between them met for that purpose, at the House of Deacon Parker Spofford May 14-1818 — Our proceedings were in some measure embarrassed by Mr Spofford's withdrawing from the trial, in consequence of our refusing to admit an Attorney on his part — Mr Perley objecting to it. The attorney was not admitted, because we thought it could give one party an undue advantage over the other — After Mr Spofford retired, we sent him a letter requesting his attendance, to which he returned a negative answer — The witnesses produced by him were sworn and examined in common with others; and all the information we could obtain from that quarter, was eagerly sought — After diligent and prayerful consideration of the charges brought by the parties against each other; we came to the following result — That the said Spofford has frequently charged the said Perley with embezzling his property, knowing it to be his — which charge is wholly unsupported by testimony produced

on the occasion; which being contrary to the
- Gospel, ~~not~~ as it forbids Brethren to speak evil
one of another, - we think he ought to confess to Mr
Perley in presence of the church with a view to reconcil
-ation - The confession to be of the following purport
- I confess, that I have injured you by circulating
groundless insinuations against you - and in partic-
-ular, by accusing you of intentionally embezzling
my property; for which I am really sorry: and ask
your forgiveness & that of the Church - Till such
confession be made, we view Mr Spafford as
having excluded himself from Church privileges
by his obligation of May 7th 1818 - - Whereas
the said Spafford has charged the said Perley with
improving a piece of his (Shafford's) ground;
tho it appears that the line was first placed
within said Spafford's line by mutual consent;
yet as the cause of its being placed there is now
removed, we advise that it be set upon the
line - As to the charge brought by Mr Spafford
against Mr Perley of treating him in a persecu-
-ting manner when he came to admonish him
according to Matthew 18 we think it not support-
- But tho the Gospel does not specify any par-
-ticular time between taking the first and
second steps; we think it would have been better
had there been a longer space of time in
this case - The other accusations of Mr Spafford
~~were not sub~~ against Mr Perley were not sub-
-stantiated - - We advise that cost & reference
and all contingent expenses (the Attorney ~~fee~~ excepted) be sustained equally by the two parties
- In concluding this ~~subject~~ result we
express our regret that differences should subsist
between Brother & Brother in a church which
has enjoyed so much harmony and for which
we entertain so much affection as this (next page)

- We hope, that our brethren, who have been at variance, will return to sentiments of friendship, becoming those, who profess to be Disciples of the same Master & fellow-travellers to the same country — —
- We hope that this beloved flock will walk together in love; that no permanent disaffection will follow the late unhappy difference — We ardently desire that wrath and evil speaking may be entirely put away from among them; — That they may be tenderhearted, forbearing one another & forgiving one another as they hope God for Christ's sake forgiveth them! —
- That they may here know by happy experience, how good & how pleasant it is for Brethren to dwell together in unity — — — — — — — — — — — —

Isaac Braman
David G. Kimball
Charles Foster

A true copy. Isaac Briggs, Pastor of the 1st church in Boxford. —

Boxford ~~Sept~~ August 17-1823

At a late meeting of all the male members of the first church in Boxford, who are capable of acting, it was voted unanimously, in view of the result of Councils who met at the House of Deacon Parker Spofford in May 14-1818 & of the full approbation of the Ministers of Andover Association, that Mr Benjamin Spofford be and hereby is excluded from the communion of the church

Isaac Briggs, Pastor

There are some facts connected with this Benjamin Spofford case that do not appear on the church records which justice to the memory of Mr S. seems to demand should be known, and as all those who took part in these proceedings and nearly all their colemporaries have passed from earthly scenes, it seems proper that at least a brief note of some of those facts should be left— Mr Spofford was old and somewhat broken down in body and mind and always thought he never had a fair hearing in this matter. the three or four acting members of the church being in the Perley interest; this feeling was shared largely by many members of the Parish. Mr Spofford continued after his expulsion to make request for another hearing before the old Referees or before a mutual council, but finding all attempts of this kind

time, he issued his letters for an ex parte council joined by ten inhabitants of the Parish who thought he was entitled to the attention and advice of such a council; which council accordingly met at his house Nov 12. 1823 and after giving the matter some attention advised the Church to join in a mutual Council which was finally agreed to. This Council met at the house of Capt Jeremiah Young January 7. 1824 and was composed of Rev Dr Parish of Byfield & Joseph Pike Delegate. Rev J Bartlett of Marblehead and John Traill Delegate – Rev Ty B. Perry of Bradford and Moses Parker Delegate – Dr Parish was Moderator & Rev Mr Bartlett Scribe. The Council sat for two days giving it is said a full, thorough, public investigation I wd have the result before us, but it would take several sheets to transcribe it – Suffice it to say that they found some cause for censure on both sides, though evidently thinking Mr Spofford most in fault. They considered "the measures taken by the Church to be irregular and particularly injurious to Mr Spofford, that the censure and excommunication were invalid, and ought not to be attended with those evil effects to Mr S – which usually attend such Church censures when regularly inflicted."

"To Messrs Spofford and Perley we affectionately say that in our opinion, mutual concessions are due to each other, and we also affectionately say "Be perfect. be of one mind, live in peace, and the God of peace will bless you"

In their closing advice to Mr S. they intimate to him that it becomes him to search and try his ways. and although they recommend to the Church

to consider him as in his former standing yet this is on account of the irregularity of the proceedings and if the church accept this result he will have much to do to regain the charity of his brethren.

Although Mr Spofford hardly felt satisfied with the result of the council yet feeling that he had had a fair hearing before a tribunal mutually selected he felt and expressed a willingness to submit to what they required of him. but on the 23rd day of the following March at a Church Meeting it was unanimously voted "that we do not accept the result of the Council"

Voted "That we abide by our former decisions relative to Mr Benjamin Spofford"

Voted "That if Mr Benjamin Spofford has any real desire to be restored to the fellowship of the church and the enjoyment of its privileges, we shall not be implacable. He shall be restored on his complying with the conditions pointed out by the Referees and on making satisfaction for any later offences he may have committed."

This was probably the last action the church ever took in regard to Mr Benjamin Spofford

Ancill Dorman

Clerk of 1st Church 1881

March 31 - 1824 Boxford —

Miss Mary A. Spofford requested to be dismissed from this church — The church met at my house on the 14th April the request of said Mary A. Spofford was taken into consideration, & the members of the church then present were of one opinion that we had no right to dismiss a ~~member~~ member of our church, without a recommendation to some regular church and as the said Mary had not requested a recommendation to any church, only a dismission from our church, the church thought it not proper to grant her request — On the 6 of ~~July~~ June, Miss Mary A. Spofford requested a dismission from the first church of Christ in Boxford to the church in Andover under the pastoral care of Mr Loring —

Friday July 16 - 1824 The church met at the house of Deacon Parker Spofford to take into consideration the request of Mary Spofford to be dismissed from this church

and to be recommended to the church in Andover under the care of Rev Mr Lering – After much conversation on the subject then before them the church voted to adjourn this meeting to Friday the 28th Inst – Friday July met according to adjournment – at which meeting Brother Reuben Burnham declared that he had had conversation with said Mary and knew her reasons why he could not recommend her to the church in Andover or to any other church – and declared to them his dissatisfaction at her unchristian like behavior ~~& word the Pastor and elders~~ and on the 15th instant took with her from this church discipline according to the direction given by Christ in the 18th of Matthew and on the 19 accomplished by Br Asa Perley took the 2 steps of Church discipline & not obtaining satisfaction, presented to the church several charges against said M A S, see said Burnham's complaint on file also complaints of Brothers Thomas and Aaron Perley against said Mary – Adjourned this meeting to 29 inst

July 29. At this meeting a complaint was entered by M A Brafford against Dea-

Parker Spafford ~~also~~ for Falsesweari
also a complaint against Sister
Mehetabel Perley for accusing her
(the said Mary) of Falsesweariny — The
Church appointing a committee to inform
Mary A Spafford that the brethren would at-
-tend to her request and also the complaint
and ~~the~~ charges brought against her by
brother Burnham & to request her to meet
the Church at the house of Dea Parker
Spafford on Thursday next at 3, o, clock
P M — Voted to adjourn this meeting to
Thursday next, to the house of said Parker
Spafford at 2 o, clock also voted to meet
On Friday next at 4, o, clock P M at
P Spaffords to attend to the complaints
of said M A S against said Deacon Spafford
and Sister Mehetabel Perley — Thursday
August 5th 1824 met at the house of Deacon
P Spafford according to adjournment — Voted
to adjourn ~~the~~ to Thursday 12 August
August 12 The church met according to adjourn-
-ment, and after hearing the request of
M A S that the church should certify
that she is in regular standing with the
Church voted to adjourn this meeting
to Wednesday 25th — and agreed that Rev
Rodney G Dennis be specially requested to
attend as Moderator (the Pastor having
been objected to by M A S) to fill the
office — August 25 the Church met accor-
-ding to adjournment — Rev David T —
Kimball by an express vote was chosen

Scribe & Pres Rodney G Dennes Moderator
The following is the result of that the doings of the church at this meeting (See the written evidences & result of the church on file) — When in view of the charges substantiated a
M. A Spafford — Voted — that as a condition of her continuing in communion with this church she be requested to make Christian satisfaction to the Church & to the members, who have been particularly injured.

Voted — That Brother Asa Perley present the result of the meeting to Mrs M. A Spafford —

Voted that this meeting be adjourned to three weeks to meet at this place at 4 o'clock in the afternoon

This meeting was concluded with Prayer by the Scribe

Rodney, G, Dennis Mod.r

D. J. Kimball Scribe

At a meeting of the church Wednesday Sept 15 according to adjournment, the discussions were again taken into consideration — It was then resolved unanimously, that after the lapse of three weeks & the church had opportunity of recurring in their minds to the aforesaid desections they have still a deep conviction of their justness and do now therefore fully confirm the same — The question was then put what further steps the brethren should take relative to this business? Whereupon it was voted unanimously that as Mary A. Spafford has, on full & abundant testimony been proved guilty of various acts of unchristian and highly dishonorable conduct and has not made christian satisfaction for the same, she be and is hereby excluded from christian communion with this church —

Isaac Briggs, Pastor

Baptisms

Sept 11th 1823

William Henry Son of Phebe (Wife of Samuel Wood)

Sept 11 - 1823 Elias Cornelius, Son of Oliver & Kilgam

Sept 11 - 1823 Oliver Jy Bro. Peabody - Adult

July 2 - 1826 - Caroline Eliza, Daughter of Samuel Peabody

August 22 1826 - Asa Prescot Son of Sam & Hannah Peabody

do do 1826 Henry Oliver Son of Oliver Peabody

Nov 12 - 1826 Mrs Hannah Lefty

do - do - Mehitable Gould - Adult

do - do - do - Nancy Peabody, Adult

January 10th - 1827

Edward Augustus Son of Daniel Chapman

do do Wm Henry
Mary Seymond
John Perley
Hannah Stickney
Ruth Anna
} Children of Perley Dorman & Widow H. Lefty

June 30th - 1828 - Sarah Augusta Daughter of Deacon Oliver J Peabody

July 13 - 1828 Achsah Dorman, Adult

do - do - do Sarah Peabody Daughter of Phebe (Wife) of Samuel Wood

Decem^r ~~6 1828~~ Baptisms continued

6-1828 Nancy Adams Daughter of Sam^l Towne
Jacob 1 boy son of Deacon Moses Peabody
Sarah Mehitable Daughter of Perley Dorman

March 25-1832
Lydia Batchelder Adult —
Joseph Cummings Batchelder Adult —
Elizabeth Gould Smith Adult —

Nov^r - 1832 — ~~Samuel son of~~
Samuel — Priscilla Alathier. Joseph & 6 Children
George Burchmore — Francis Augustus Peabody
Sarah Henrietta Elizabeth — Cyrus-Children
-dren of Samuel Killam
Hiram Son of Samuel Towne —

Admissions —

Decem^r 1823 Mrs Elizabeth B^r Badstreet
Sep^r 1831 Capt Jacob Cowed — —
do- do Anna Gallop
March 25-1832 Widow Anna Peabody
do - do ac Huldah Dorman Wife of Moses Dorman +
do - do - do Widow Nabby Perley
do - do - do - Josiah Kimball
do - do - do Mary W. Spofford
do - do - do John Sawyer
do - do, do - Lydia Batcheelder -
* do - do - do Joseph C Batcheelder
do - do - do Huldah Perley
do - do - do Elizabeth G. Smith
May 27-1832 — Batcheldr — Wife Jacob B —
do - do - do Putnam Perley — —
Samuel Killam —

+ Huldah wife of Moses Dorman Junior also joined the Church during the later years of Mr Briggs ministry though it appears to be omitted in the record

Attest Ancill Dorman
Clerk of 1st Ch 1880

Nov 7. 1880

Miss Nancy Herrick was admitted to the Church during Mr Whitneys ministry. The only one admitted

A Dorman
Clerk

Miss Elisabeth Dorman who died in 1843 was a member of the Church though it dont appear on the records

A. D.

1st Church. Boxford

It is perhaps worthy of notice that a religious interest seems to have been awakened about the close of the Stafford & Perley difficulty and in about eight years nearly 40 were added to the Church (the principal harvest of Mr Briggs' ministry) but in the mean time Esq. Perley and his brother Aaron had died and the management of Church matters had passed into other ~~other~~ hands who failing in other ways to get rid of Mr Briggs excommunicated his wife on a charge of slander, and finally secured his dismissal in 1838.

Mrs Briggs was forthwith admitted to the membership of the Church in South Andover in accordance with the recomendation of an ex-party council held before her expulsion

These doings dont appear to have been recorded June 5. 1882 A Dorman

Persons Married by Rev. Eliezer Holyoke
Copied from 1st Ch. Record Book

1759
May 3 Amos Gould to Huldah Foster
Aug 9 Daniel Nurse to Eunice Perley
Oct 11 Mark Howe of Ipswich to Wid Magery Perley
Dec 19 Joseph Brand jr to Hepzibah Smith
1760
June 15 Elias Johnson of Haverhill to Elisabeth Bixby
1761
Febg. John Stiles Jr to Phebe Mesasser
Sept 29 Moses Foster to Hannah Putnam
1762
Jan 17 Ephraim Holt to Sarah Black
Nov 18 Asa Foster of Canterbury & N H to ~~Martha~~ Hannah Symonds
Dec 9 Robert Meacham of Beverly to Elisabeth Robinson
1763
Jan 20 Anthony Fenton of Danvers to Elisabeth Pickard
July 12 Abner Hale to Eunice Kimball
Dec 8 Phineas Carleton of Bradford to Susanna Stickney
1764
Feb 16 Nathan Andrews to Wid Sarah Symonds
April 5 John Kimball to Wid Hannah Andrews
June 26 Lieut Jonathan Foster to Rebecca Dorman
" " Lt John Peabody of Andover to Mary Perley
July 10 James Barker of Rowley to Wid Hannah Stickney

Marriages (Copy)

1764
Aug 2 John Buttman to Hannah Andrews
Oct 9 Elisha Towne to Wid. Deliverance Emery
Nov 1st Peter Lewis of Marblehead to Lucy Stiles
" 27 Lt. John Robinson of Westford to Huldah Perley
Dec 27 Asa Stiles to Huldah Bixby

1765
Jan 29 Ebenezer Ingalls of Andover to Sarah Curtice
May 7 Purchase Jewett of Ipswich to Sarah Gould
July 16 Amos Kimball to Wid Abigail Sessions of Andover
Sept 5 Asa Peabody of Londonderry to Susanna Perley
Oct 1 Joshua Jackson of Rowley to Wid Eunice Dorman

1766
Oct 8 James Wood of Danvers to Ruth Curtice
" 9 Jedediah Peabody to Alice Howlet
Nov 26 Isaac Berry of Middleton to Anna Bixby

1767
May 26 Moses Peabody to Hannah Foster
July 9 Ebenezer Fillam to Wid Mary Peabody
Sept 24 John Perley of Rowley to Lydia Perley
" 24 John Prichard to Lucy Wood
Dec 3 Dudley Perley of Winchendon to Hannah Hale
" " Nathan Towne to Mary Curtice
" 31 David Foster of Andover to Ruth Peabody

1768
Jan 18 James Brown of Wilton N. H. to Sarah Fillam
Feb 11 Jacob Dwinnell to Mehitable Towne
April 12 Absalom Towne to Judith Hale
May 5 Rev Samuel Williams of Bradford to Jane Fulborn

Marriages (Copy)

1769
June 1 John Emery to Elisabeth Perkins
July 12 Moses Hale to Ruth Foster
Nov 16 Joseph Hobbs to Elizabeth Peabody

1770
June 28 Ebenezer Fish of Andover to Phebe Curtice
July 12 Nathan Kimball to Mary Poor
Dec 20 John Stiles Jr to Rebecca Peabody of Andover

1771
Feb 26 John Powers of Salem to Appha Bixby
June 13 Moses Putnam of Danvers to Rebecca Kimball
" 27 Rev Hezekiah Smith of Haverhill to Hepzibah Kimball
Sept 24 Thomas Killam to Sarah Fuller of Middleton
Nov 12 Lt Daniel Clarke of Topsfield to Hannah Perley

1772
June 16 Noah Stiles of Andover to Lydia Curtice
July 23 Ivory Hovey to Lucy Peabody
Dec 3 John Gould 3rd of Topsfield to Jane Palmer

1773
March 4 Samuel Peabody to Molly Hildreth
Sept 7 John Platts of Bradford to Sarah Hale
Oct 12 Benjamin Perley to Appha Andrews of Danvers
" 14 Pelatiah Day of New Salem to Hannah Curtice
Nov 11 Samuel Brown to Olive Gage
" 23 Levi Goodridge to Mary Hale

1774
March 24 Eliphalet Perley of Danvers to Anna Porter
June 2 Timothy Fletcher Jr of Westford to Wid Huldah Perley
" 16 Tho's Hammond of Swansey N.H. to Wid Priscilla Hale
Dec 22 Timothy Stiles to Naoma McMillion

(Copy)

Marriages

1775
May 24 Stephen Dwinnell to Sarah Rea
June 14 Jacob Perley to Dolly Wood

1776
March 28 Joshua Rea to Hannah Peabody
April 26 Joseph Symonds to Susanna Peale
July 16 Jesse Emery to Ruth Dwinnell

1777
Oct 3 David Hale to Rachel Foster
" 23 Reuben Burnham of Bridgeton to Wid H Foster
Nov 20 Rufus Burnham to Sarah Chapman
" " Nath'l Gould of Topsfield Han.h Fillam
Dec 18 Abraham Smith to Ezekiah Stiles

1778
April 28 Ivory Hovey of Topsfield to Anna Smith
June 11 Joshua Andrews to Deborah Andrews
July 9 David Butman of Danvers to Ruth Buswell
Dec 7 Daniel Dodge of Topsfield to Mary Dodge

1779
Feb 4 Amos Perley to Sarah Smith
" 14 Joshua Rea Jr to Mary Gouldsmith
April 16 Amos Flood to Phebe Perkins
July 8 Oliver Foster to Hannah Poor
Oct 21 Timothy Perkins of Middleton to Hepzibah Goodridge
" 28 Coll David Hobart of Plimouth & H to Widow Mercy Perkins
Dec 9 Samuel Morsen of Methuen to Eunice Runnels

Marriages (Copy)

1780
March 18 Lt Ebenr Peabody to Sarah Pearl
May 4 Nathaniel Hale to Sarah Perley
June 15 Jona Tyler to Martha Hymonds
July 18 Gideon Bixby to Sarah Wood
Dec 31 Moses Whitney of Douglas to Hannah Palmer

1781
Feb 6 James Andrews Jr to Abigail Foster
Dec 6 Daniel Perley of Bridgeton to Rebecca Porter
— 13 Saml Stiles of Middleton to Edny Gould

1782
Feb 28 Daniel Cummings of Andover to Mary Dodge
May 14 Roger Balch of Topsfield to Sarah Perley
" 23 Jona Knight of Middleton to Mehitable Andrews
July 18 Asher Hardy of Woburn to Sarah Foster

1783
March 13 Jacob Gould Jr to Susanna Gould
" 26 Deacon Stephen Myhill of Rowley to Mrs or widow Mehitabel Kimball
May 20 Nathan Andrews Jr to Miss Esther Kimball
Nov 13 Benjamin Nayorard of Shrewsbury to Mrs Martha Eills

1784
April 22 Mr Caleb Jackson of Rowley to Mrs Hannah Hale
" 27 Jonas Warren to Apphia Stickney
May 30 Saml Sawyer of Hopkinton to Mrs H. to Lewsy Perley
Sept 21 Capt Benja Kimball of Bridgeton to Wid Hulelah Gould
Dec 30 Joseph Peabody to Sarah Upton

1785
April 17 Mr Benjamin Gould to Miss Eusebia Abbott
July 12 Mr Ezra Wildes to Mrs Polly Wright of Methuen
" 14 Mr Samuel Wilkins of Middleton to Wid Sarah Killam

Marriages (Copy)

1785
Dec 8 Mr John Perkins to Mrs Miriam Smith
" 13 Mr Stephen Peabody to Mrs Anna Kellam
March 23 Rev Daniel Breck of Topsfield to Mrs Hannah Porter
The above probably belongs to 1786

1786
March 30 Mr John Merrill of Rowley to Mrs Mehitable Hale
May 4 Mr Asaph Wilkins to Mrs Ruth Curtice
June 14 Mr Amos Gould to Mrs Rebecca Perley of Topsfield
" 27 Mr Aaron Perley to Mrs Mehitabel Wood
July 11 Mr David Kimball to Mrs Lydia Simmons (Lydia Summons)
Nov 8 Mr Andrew Foster of Andover to Wid Anna Gould (Mrs probably means Miss)

1787
March 15 Mr Nathaniel Herrick to Mrs Elisabeth Gould
April 22 Mr Amos Gage to Mrs Lois Flower
Sept 6 Mr Isaac Perkins to Wid — Gardner
" 13 Mr Nathan Perley to Mrs Ruth Gould
Dec 6 Mr Asa Kimball to Mrs Mehitabel Symonds
" 9 Mr Parker Sprofford to Mrs Mary Wood

1788
May 25 Mr Joshua Brown to Mrs Rachel Buckminster
June 10 Mr Jesse Perley to Wid Elisabeth Moulton
Oct 16 Mr Josiah Adams of Ipswich to Mrs Sarah Town
Dec 2 Mr John Peabody to Mrs Molly Tyler

1789
Jan 21 Mr Abraham Peabody to Mrs Elisabeth Marble
April 8 Mr Nathaniel Peabody to Mrs Betty Cole
" 16 Lt Moses Carleton to Mrs Sarah Sprofford

Copy

Marriages

1790
July 11 Mr Samuel Peabody to Mrs Huldah Stiles

1791
May 19 Dr Denison Bowers to Mrs Fanny Perley
July 7 Benjamin Perley of Topsfield to Mrs Lois Gould
Oct 10 Mr Dudley Peabody to Mrs Rebecca Towne of Andover
Nov 15 Mr Thomas Dresser to Mrs Hannah Kazen

1792
Feb 9 Mr Amos Gould to Mrs Leydia Wood
" 23 Mr Samuel Gould to Mrs Ruth Towne
June 21 Mr Isaac Spofford of Andover to Miss Whitable Wood of Boxford
July 26 Doct James Bunsell of Dunbarton to Miss Jenny Wood "
March 13 Mr Oliver Peabody of Shipps-Canady, to Miss Peggy Stickney
Oct 23 Mr Nathan Low Junr of Boxford to Miss Rebecca Thompson of Deer Isle
Nov 14 Mr Benjamin Spofford to the Wid Leydia Wood
Dec 27 Mr John Dorman to Miss Hannah Andrews

1793
Jan 22 Capt William Perley to the Widow Anna Hale

1794
Feb 3 Mr Daniel Barnard of Bridgetown to Miss Ruth Andrews

Copied Dec 1871
A.D.

1713 Marriages by Rev John Rogers (from Town Records)

July 9 John Andrew & Patience Andrew
March 9 Samuel Pickard & Phebe Bixbe
Jan 8 1714 John Foster of Andover & Rebecca Roe of B-
March 31 Nathaniel Chamberlain of Oxford & Elisabeth Hunkins
April 14 1714 Joseph Killam & Mary Curtice
Oct 25 " Benjamin Kallam & Abigail Whitacor
Nov 4 " John Fifelps & Sarah Andrew
Jan 18 1715 John Stiels & Elenor Pearl
March 29 " Timothy Foster & Ruth Andrews
Nov 2 " Thomas Page of Hanchill & Lydia Bixbe
Dec 2 " Samuel Killam & Grace Indicut
Jan 18 John Stiels & Elenor Pereboath

1716

May 10 Matthew Bootman & Faith Jewett
June 25 John Clifford & Anna Chapman
Aug 16 Jubez Dorman & Abiel Fisher (as near as can guess)
Nov 15 Nathaniel Perkins & Hephzibah Hazzyen
Elias Smith & Ruth Stiels (no date)

1717

June 17 Samuel Stopford & Sarah Stickney

1719

Sept 14 Samuel Carrel & Rebecca Elliott
Oct 13 John Frame & Elisabeth Stiles

Persons married by Rev.
John Rogers Copied from 1st Ch. Record Book

1719 Nov 10 William Iles & Elisabeth Curtice 1719 Nov 10

1720 July 14 Matthew Bootman & Hannah Cummings ×

Oct 27 Joshua Higgins of Eastham & Priscilla Bixby of Boxford

Jan 17 Peter Ayers & Keyzia Perley (Probably 1721/2)

" 18 Jonathan Kimball & Hepzibah Jewett

1721

Oct 5 James Black & Mary Barker ×

Nov 30 John Doget & Elisabeth Dorman

John Ammy & Abigail Daland Feb 2. 1721

John Bradstreet & Rebecca Andrews Feb 20 1721/2

Thomas Andrews & Ruth Bixby March 1 1721/2

Amos Perley & Marjary Cogswel March 1 1721/2

Robert Willis & Keyzia Bursell March 6 1722

John Bixby & Esther Andrews May 8 1722

James Richardson & Mercy Stiles May 24

Walter Stuart & Grisel Trumbey July 18

Ambrose Hale & Joanna Dodge Dec 11

Thomas Redington & Hepzibah Perley Nov 8 1722

James Curtice & Mary Fullam Jan 21 1722/3

Jacob Rymbal & Sarah Hale Feb 11 1723/4

Jonathan Cole & Judith Brown April 8 1724

Israel Doggett & Hannah Dorman April 15 1724 ×

Married (Copy)

John Andrews & Hannah ~~Elizabeth~~ Kimball April 28 1724
Thaniel Danford & Priscilla Wyeum Oct 19 1724
John Hillam & Abigail Simonds Feb 3 1724
Ephraim Curtis & Ruth Hyllam March 25 1725
Mathias Cowdrey & Susannah Sherrin May 20 1725
Joseph Conant & Sarah Jewett Dec 9 1725
Samuel Gould & ~~Comfortable~~ Tabitha Tiles Jun 9 17[illegible]
Ebenezer Sherrin & Hepzybah Cole Sept 21 1726
Isaac Nichols of Sutton & Sarah Wilkins of Boxford ——— Feb 1 1726
Capt Thomas Perley & Elisabeth Putnam of Salem May 15 1727
Thomas Pike & Lois Perley August 24 1727
Daniel Curril & Mary French Sept 21 1727
Thomas Holt & Abigail Fisk Nov 16 1727
Daniel Eaton & Hannah Cole Dec 19 1727
Benjamin Kymball & Elisabeth Hovey Dec 7 ———
Caleb Gaysbel & Mary Tyler Oct 1 1727
Jonathan Sherrin & Mary Lurvie Nov 26 17[illegible]
Daniel Morse & Abigail Perley Dec 12 1728
Joseph Fowler & Abigail Perley Dec 31 172[illegible]
Daniel Robinson & Elisabeth Symonds Jan 15 17[illegible]
William Knowlton & Martha Pindar March
Robert Dannilson & Prudence Hardy May 30
John Dorman & Rebecca Smith Jun 28 1729
John Frost & Deborah Foster Feb 17 1729
Samuel Greenleaf & Hannah Moor[illegible]

Persons Married (Copy)

Benjamin Foster & Lydia Burbank	Oct	2	1730
Daniel Wood & Sarah Peabody	March	8	1730/1
Thomas Foster & Alice Perley	July	14	1731
William Leakeman & Susannah Brown	Nov	25	1731
Joshua Andrews & Hannah Wood	Dec	2	1731
Ebenezer Wallis & Lucy Tyler	Sept	7	1732
Abiel Barker & Hannah Stiles	Sept	28	1732
John Foster & Dorcas Florey	Nov	7	1732
John Curtis & Hepzibah Hale	Jan	16	1732/3
Nathan Perley & Lydia Hale	March	20	1732/3
William Worster & Mary Florey	Jan	9	1733
× John (servant of Mr Joseph Noyes of Newbury) & Ammy (servant of Mr Benjamin Porter of Boxford)	June	5	1734
Abraham Gage & Mercy Bradford	Aug	7	×
Abner Hale & Ruth Perkins	Sept	5	×
Benjamin Rogers & Alice Foster	Oct	11	×
Nathaniel Spafford & Sarah Smith	Oct	31	×
Francis Perley & Hulda Putnam	Nov	8	
Moses Wolton & Keziah Stiles	Dec	27	
Jonathan Stickney & Alice Symonds	Jan	21	1734/5
Jacob Peabody & Susanna Rogers	Feb	18	1735
Josiah Johnson & Hannah Wood	Nov	27	
John Peabody & Mary Chadwick	Feb	26	1735/6
William Stuart & Abigail Stanly	March	3	
Thomas Clark & Mary Stiles	March	30	1736
John Peabody & Sarah Dorman	May	18	1736
Joh Tyler & Priscilla Peabody	June		
Henry Gray & Alice Peabody	June		

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Jacob Baker & Keziah Smith — Aug 5 1736
Jonathan Putnam & Sarah Perley Dec 2
Amos Kymbal & Margaret Hale March 1 173×
Oliver Andrews & Mary Foster — March 12 —
Thomas Kindel & Mary Curtice July 27 1737
Nathaniel Peabody & Sarah Fillam Oct 27
Joseph Stickney & Hannah Goodridge Nov 7 1737
Benjamin Stiles & Elisabeth Foster Jan 11 1737
Joseph Batchelder & Mary Perley } Jan 31 173×
Asa Perley & Susanna Leow }
Robert Gray & Priscilla Smith — March 30
John Duston & Mercy Mors — April 4 1738
Joseph Curtice & Katherine Towns Oct 4 1738
Abner Hale & Keziah Baker — Nov 26 1738
Timothy Dorman & Elisabeth Bolton of Tyngsborough Jan 15
Benj^a Batchelder & Hannah Hale Jan 25
William Peabody & Rebecca Smith March 24 1740
Daniel Black & Sarah Symonds April 10 —
Oliver Andrews & Mehitable Cummings May 17 1740
Abijah Smith & Lydia Rogers July 22 1740
Ezra Stiles & Mary Warren — Nov 20 1740
Benjamin Woodman & Abigail Goodridge Jan 7 1741
Peter Bacon & Mary Hale — — April 14 1741
Nathaniel Rogers & Rebecca Symonds May 11 —
Jacob Dresser & Rachel Bradford — Feb 4 —
Francis Peabody & Mary Brown — — Nov 18 1742
Tarrant Putnam & Priscilla Baker — Dec 9 1742
Thomas Henderson & Mary Anderton June 9 1743
Joseph Jackson & Keziah Walton July 28 —

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Stephen Emery & Deliverance Stiles	Oct 20	1743
John Brisvel & Abigail Cummings	Nov 16	1743
Ephraim Kymbal & Hannah Potter	Feb 28	
Hubbard Gould & Hannah Bootman	March 8	
John Seeton & Istina Seeton —	Nov 6	1744
Joseph Cummins & Mary Hale	Nov 20	
Nathan Burnham & Abigail Kerne	Dec 26	1745
John Abe & Ruth Stanley — — —	April 15	1746
Benjamin Goodrige & Mary Bedington	June 24	1746
Nathan Wood & Elisabeth Wood —	June 25	1746
John Chaplin & Hepzibah Jewet —	Jan 27	
James Andrews & Ruth Wood —	Feb 18	1747
Elijah Foster & Elisabeth Faulkner	Oct 25	1748
Benjn Baily & Sarah Burch —	Dec 8	1748
Paul Richerd & Hannah Perley —	Feb 1	1748
Israel Herrick & Abigail Kellam	Jan 22	1749

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